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FALL OF HANKOW IMMINENT.

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HWANGPEI TAKEN WITHOUT FIGHTING.

WUHAN GENERAL SHOT

Hankow, Apr. 3.

The Central Government forces are still advancing rapidly up river, while the attack from the West on Hankow is progressing. Hanchuanhsien on the Han River having fallen to the Government troops.

It is stated that Hwangpei, 28 miles to the north of Hankow, fell into the hands of the Nanking troops without fighting, and it would seem that the Hupoh forces on both sides have come to an agreement.

In Hankow no anxiety is expressed, though it is evident from the disposition of the Central Government forces that the Wuhan area is being rapidly approached by forces from North, East and West, only the South being kept open at the moment.

The shipping companies have been informed by the Wuhan authorities that the Yangtze has been mined about ten miles below Hankow. Launches are being provided to conduct shipping safely through the danger zone.—*Reuter.*

Within 25 Miles.

Hankow, Apr. 3.

The Government troops on the north bank of the river are now within 25 miles of Hankow.

The Wuhan forces are concentrating every available man in the vicinity of Yanglo.

Although the Wuhan troops are seemingly being bottled up, officials are still curiously confident, and the local situation is remarkably quiet.—*Reuter.*

Martial Law.

A report from Chinese sources states that martial law has been imposed at Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang on account of the severe setbacks suffered by the Wuhan armies.

All traffic is stopped after eight o'clock at night, and the streets are picketed by armed troops.

Hwangchow fell into the hands of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's right wing yesterday, and it is therefore regarded as a practical certainty that Hankow will fall by the end of this week, or early next.

The Hankow armies are concentrating at Yanglo and to the south of Hwangpei, though there is indication of the intention of the Wuhan leaders to withdraw their entire forces into the defence of Hankow.

Hangchow Battle.

The capture of Hwangchow was effected by the troops of General Liu Chi, Commander of Marshal Chiang's First Division, who entered the city after severe operations for a day and a night with Wuhan troops, 3,000 of whom were taken prisoners.

The Central Government troops also claimed the capture of 3,000 rifles, 21 cannons and large quantity of munitions. The Wuhan leader, General Hsu Hua, who was directing the Wuhan defence, is reported to be wounded, but he escaped when the city fell. General Hsu Hua, it will be recalled, issued the proclamation signed by him and Yeh Chi, emphatically denouncing Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

It is also reported that after the fall of Hwangchow Hsu Hua sent a message to Hankow resigning his post in the Wuhan Army.

Lender to Surrender?

In some quarters it is believed that another Hankow leader, General Hu Tsung-tu, has sent an envoy to arrange terms with Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang to allow the troops of the "Christian General" to enter Hankow from Honan.

Feng's troops have arrived at Sinyangchow, on the Hupoh-Honan border.

NEW PROHIBITION OUTRAGE.

YACHT INCIDENT IN NEW YORK HARBOUR.

WEALTHY U.S. VICTIMS.

New York, Apr. 2.

Hard on the heels of the "Im Alone" affair, another deed of "frightfulness" by Prohibition agents is reported to-day. It has caused a regular stir in the newspapers here.

The incident occurred actually inside New York Harbour, near to the Statue of Liberty, when a yacht owned by Mr. Stuyvesant Fish, a member of one of the oldest New York families, was boarded by "Dry" agents.

Mr. Fish alleges that the agents who boarded the yacht covered him, his wife, two sons and the crew with pistols during the search, in the course of which "my wife was compelled to hear much profanity."

Although no liquor was found, the agents declared that Mr. Fish and his family were lucky not to have had a machine-gun turned on them.

Mr. Stuyvesant Fish is a cousin of Mr. Hamilton Fish, a member of the House of Representatives, who, it is recalled, loudly criticized the "Im Alone" master, Captain Randall, recently.

Admiral Billard, Commander of the Coastguard Service, is investigating this latest incident.—*Reuter's American Service.*

"IM ALONE" CASE SEQUEL.

MASTER TO COMMAND A "MOVIE" SHIP.

DIPLOMATIC PROBLEM.

London, Apr. 2.

It is learned that the depositions of the crew and others in connection with the sinking of the Canadian schooner "Im Alone" by a U.S. coastguard cutter off the Louisiana coast recently, have now been received in London through the Consul-General at New Orleans, and the British Ambassador in Washington.

The depositions are now being considered by the British Government and also by the Canadian Government, whose Minister in Washington will, in dealing with the case, act in close consultation with Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador.—*British Wireless.*

Master's New Ship.

New York, Apr. 2.

Captain Randall, the master of the ill-fated "Im Alone" has obtained a new ship, and according to the New York Evening Post he "is through forever with the liquor business."

It is understood he will shortly be given the command of a floating "movie" studio, with a company, not of able-bodied seamen, but of actors and actresses.

The vessel and the studio will operate along the Caribbean coasts and Central and South America.—*Reuter.*

MONACO CRISIS ENDED.

PLANS TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION.

Monaco, Apr. 2.

The constitutional dispute, which came to a head on March 25th by the issue of a proclamation cancelling the manifesto announcing the elections in June, has been virtually settled.

A meeting between Prince Louis and members of the defunct National Council yielded agreement on a number of vital points, notably the appointment of a Conference of Jurists to amend the Constitution.—*Reuter.*

THE KING'S PROGRESS.

London, Apr. 2.

Despite the cold wind, H.M. the King again spent a considerable time walking in the grounds of Craigwell House to-day.—*British Wireless.*

CANTON'S "PEACE" ACTIVITIES.

GUNBOATS SENT TO WEST RIVER.

KWANGSI ATTITUDE STILL DOUBTFUL.

WUCHOW CONFERENCE

While it seems some doubt still exists regarding Kwangsi's attitude to the war on Wuhan and towards Canton's professed neutrality, no definite news either way has been received in the Colony this morning.

A political correspondent writes: As is generally the case where Chinese politics are concerned, there is much which is still shrouded in mystery in connection with the new turn in the situation in South China.

While the Kwangsi military leaders are understood to have declared their support to the Canton movement for peace, a close watch is being kept on events which are developing both in Canton and Wuchow.

Canton Active.

Despite the persistent "clonion call" in the name of peace sent out by the Canton leaders, gunboats and troops are being dispatched to the West River and to other strategic points. Military movements are also taking place. The reason given for these movements is the suppressing of bandits. But why to the West River? And why at this juncture when the Kwangsi troops have completed their withdrawal to their own province?

It is hinted that things are not as they appear to be, and that there are undercurrents which bode no good.

Disquieting Report.

A disquieting report has been received from Wuchow, stating that at an urgent military conference, at which all Kwangsi military leaders were present, including General Wang Shao-hung and, it is said, General Li Chung-yen, important resolutions were passed.

It is understood that, while the Kwangsi leaders would willingly support any genuine movement for peace, they felt their duty to secure the release of Marshal Li Chai-sum, now in virtual imprisonment at Nanking.

If this object could be achieved by peaceful means, they would heartily co-operate, but if, on the other hand, "peace" could not effect the "rescue" of Marshal Li, they would have to devise "other means." Also, they would "deprecate any motive that would abuse the name of peace; and, if any person would try to make intrigues for their own gain under the pretext of the cause of peace, they would have to use all force in their power to prevent them."

Kwangsi Wary?

The opinion is expressed, though as yet without sufficient justification, that the Kwangsi Clique is "keeping an eye" on Kwangtung.

An Interview.

Canton, Apr. 2.

In an interview granted this morning to your correspondent by a high official of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, the facts of the military conference held in Canton over the week-end were disclosed.

Apparently, the decision was practically arrived at as the result of conversations between General Chan Chai-tung, Admiral Chan Chai, and Gen. Chan Ming-shiu in Hongkong, and the meeting in Canton was largely confirmatory.

The Commander of the Garrison, General Tang Sai-chang, was, however, strongly in favour of rendering active assistance to the Kwangsi party against Nanking, and when he was outvoted at the conference, he resigned his post and turned over the command of the Kwangtung armies to General Chan Chai-tung rather than further oppose the majority decision.

In spite of the decision to remain neutral, your correspondent understands that the attitude of strong loyalty to Marshal Li Chai-sum is still maintained.

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SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA.

BIG CONFERENCE TO OPEN IN LONDON SHORTLY.

REVISED CONVENTION.

London, Apr. 2.

Representatives of all the leading Maritime Powers will attend the International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea, which will open on April 16th. Much importance is attached to the Conference in authoritative circles here, and the President of the Board of Trade will extend an official welcome to the delegates on behalf of the Government.

It is fifteen years since the last Conference of the same nature, attended by delegates from twelve maritime nations, was held in London, after the loss of the Titanic. On that occasion, a Convention em-

MENINGITIS OUTBREAK IN SHANGHAI.

Health Authorities Becoming
Seriously Alarmed.

FOREIGN VICTIMS.

Shanghai, Apr. 2.

The Shanghai health authorities are becoming increasingly alarmed by a serious outbreak of meningitis.

Two hundred persons in the Settlement have been found to be suffering from the disease and several deaths have occurred. The victims include foreigners as well as Chinese.

It is learned that thousands have perished from meningitis in the surrounding countryside. The last outbreak in Shanghai occurred nine years ago.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

bodying a general agreement on various points was unanimously approved, but was only ratified by some of the signatory Powers and, partly on account of the war, it was in no case brought into force in its entirety.

Proposals for a revision of the Convention in the light of recent experience in connection with British ships, drafted two years ago by the Board of Trade and submitted to foreign countries, India and the Dominions, will provide the basis for discussion at this month's Conference.

It is believed that there is a good prospect of securing agreement on the amended Convention.—*British Wireless.*

DUTCH AIR MAIL TO EAST INDIES.

BRITISH GRANT USE OF IRAK AERODROMES.

The Hague, Apr. 2.

It is officially announced that the British Government has sanctioned the use of the R.A.F. aerodromes in Iraq for the Holland-Dutch East Indies air service.

The service, which was started experimentally some months ago and which was dropped owing to the British intention that the use of the military aerodromes by civil aviation services was proving too inconvenient, will not be resumed until September when Dutch machines will run fortnightly in both directions.—*Reuter.*

COL. HOUSE UNDER- GOES OPERATION.

CONDITION IS REPORTED EXCELLENT.

New York, April 2.

Colonel House, who was adviser to the late President Woodrow Wilson, has undergone a serious operation for an internal growth.

His condition, however, is reported to be excellent.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CHEFOO QUIET.

Naval wireless messages received this morning state that the situation at Chefoo is quiet.

It is understood that Muping has been surrounded by Chang's forces.

BRITISH MYSTERY MONOPLANE.

FIRST BIG FEAT WILL START TO-DAY.

NON-STOP FROM CRANWELL TO DURBAN.

IF WEATHER FAVOURS.

London, Apr. 2.

The Air Ministry has at last provided the solution to the mystery which has been puzzling the air world concerning the destination of the new Fairey monoplane, ready at Cranwell, Lincoln, for an attempt to beat the world's non-stop aeroplane record.

The wonderful machine, which has been designed specially for the Air Ministry for experimental work in long-range flying and in endurance tests, is driven by a 530 h.p. Napier engine, and is capable, when carrying two passengers and more than 1,000 gallons of petrol, of an average speed of 130 miles an hour.

Early Plans.

Some time ago it was unofficially stated that the monoplane would be flown out in short stages to South Africa and that a 5,000-miles non-stop flight would be attempted from Cape Town to London. There was an alternative suggestion that it might be taken out to Cape Town by steamer.

Recently, however, strong rumours have been current that the Air Ministry had changed its plans, and that when the machine ascended—at Cranwell—it would carry a full load of petrol and would attempt to fly without alighting either to Calcutta or to Cape Town according to weather conditions prevailing. Air Ministry officials have hitherto declined to make any statement regarding the plans.

To-night, however, it was learned, says a British Wireless message, that if conditions are favourable, a start will be made to-morrow by the R.A.F. to fly non-stop from Cranwell Aerodrome to Durban.

Flight-Lieutenant Jenkins has been selected to pilot the great machine, which represents a departure from general British practice in that the monoplane form instead of the biplane has been chosen for the experiment.

First Monoplane.

It is the first monoplane that has ever been built by the Fairey Company, though it bears a strong resemblance to the Fairey 3P biplanes, high speed bombers, over one hundred of which are now in use by the Royal Air Force. The engine is a special Napier developed by the Napier Lion, as used in the Schneider trophy racing machines.

This new development in British aircraft is interesting as it is believed that the new Fairey monoplane is capable of remaining in the air for three days and three nights continuously, all the petrol being stored in the machine's vast wings.

Present Records.

The existing world's non-stop point-to-point record is held by Italy with 6,000 miles, a flight from Rome to South America, while the endurance record of 65½ hours without re-filling is held by Germany. If the British flight to Durban is successfully accomplished both these records will probably go by the board.

The test flights have proved eminently satisfactory, and it is believed that the monoplane could, under favourable conditions, transport any important personage or document to any part of the globe, in three stages, in five days.

Challenge With an Object.

The main purpose of the British experiments along these lines is to bring every part of the world within 120 hours of England, so that while in a sense they are a challenge to foreign records, research in the direction of long endurance craft is really carried out for practical strategic reasons.

The Air Ministry's plans after the machine has flown to Durban

DISASTROUS FIRE IN PEKING.

THE ENGINEERING COLLEGE COMPLETELY GUTTED.

INCENDIARISM FEARS.

Shanghai, Apr. 2.

One of the most disastrous fires occurring in recent years in Peking broke out on Sunday evening at the Peking University, formerly the Peking University, according to reports received in Chinese sources to-day.

The premises affected were the buildings of the famous Engineering College of the Peking University, which have been almost completely gutted, the damage exceeding, it is estimated, a million dollars.

The fire broke out on Sunday evening, and although the entire resources of the Peking Fire Brigade were brought to bear, the blaze raged for over seven hours before control was obtained. The famous library, the principal laboratories and a number of lecture rooms have been destroyed, and the College will have to be totally suspended for the time being.

Two alleged Communists have been arrested in connexion with the fire, incendiaryism being suspected. At the moment, however, there is no indication of the cause of the disaster.

The engineering faculty at Peking was started over twenty years ago in the now-gutted building, and had achieved a big reputation.

U.S. BORDER TOWN BOMBED.

MISTAKE BY MEXICAN REBEL AEROPLANE.

GOVERNMENT TO ACT?

New York, Apr. 2.

A serious incident has occurred on the Mexican border which may bring about American intervention to prevent a recurrence.

A rebel aeroplane flew over the American town of Naco in Arizona to-day and dropped two bombs. It is supposed that the bombing was an accident and that the pilot mistook Naco for a city occupied by Mexican Federal Forces.

The bombs created a temporary panic in the town, the explosions sending the populace scuttling into their cellars. Hundreds of windows were smashed, and one American citizen was wounded. The damage to property apart from the window-smashing is not considerable.

It is, however, considered certain that the United States Government will take stringent measures to prevent a repetition of the occurrence.

It has been established that the aeroplane was one of the rebel planes, though it is taken for granted that the dropping of the bombs was accidental.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHANGHAI JUDGES' STRIKE OVER.

PEKING SUPPORTS THE DEPUTIES.

Shanghai, Apr. 2.

The strike of the judges of the Shanghai Provisional Court has come to an end, and Judge Kuhn resumed sittings with Mr. Van den Berg, the Senior Consul's Deputy, this morning.

It is learned that the Diplomatic Body in Peking upheld the Deputies, forcing the Judges to give way.

The question of the future disciplining of lawyers will be subject to further negotiation.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

are not known, though it is thought possible that the airmen will take her to Cape Town, afterwards carrying out the original project of making a non-stop flight from Cape Town to the North of England.

EASMA'S GIFT TO MINERS FUND.

OVER \$500 RAISED BY MEMBERS.

FUND CLOSING AT END OF PRESENT MONTH.

A SPECIAL APPEAL.

To-day we have pleasure in acknowledging a further very substantial addition to the Fund for the relief of distress amongst British miners and their families.

This is in the nature of a donation subscribed by members of the Ex-Active Service Men's Association, and is forwarded on their behalf by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, the Treasurers of the Association. The sum forwarded is a cheque for \$519.50, English notes for \$1 10s., and a further cheque for 16s. The handsome donation, which is one of the largest yet received by the Telegraph, is most welcome, and we desire to tender our sincere thanks to the members of the Association for their splendid gift.

The amount so far received by the Telegraph is as follows:

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A.D.C. Show.

As has already been announced, the Hongkong A.D.C. is putting on a play specially for the benefit of the Miner's Fund, this being A. A. Milne's light comedy, "The Dover Road." In all, there will be five performances, and 50 per cent. of the profits of the season will be devoted to the Fund.

The first performance takes place on Saturday night. It is hoped that the measure of public support will be large, and those who patronise the show will, in addition to spending a really enjoyable evening, have the knowledge that they are helping a very worthy cause. There are several newcomers in the cast of "The Dover Road," as will be seen from details given in another column, and the production is expected to rank high amongst the A.D.C.'s achievements.

Closing This Month.

Advices from London show that the Lord Mayor's Fund is to close on April 30th, as, with a General Election approaching, it is impossible to bring the next Government to a £ for £ contribution. It is hoped that the total privately subscribed will reach £800,000, which will be doubled by the Government contribution.

In view of the London decision, the Telegraph has also decided to close its Fund at the end of this month. All donations should therefore reach us not later than Monday, April 29th, to enable the last Hongkong instalment to be cabled Home before the Fund closes.

The response to the Telegraph appeals has so far been most gratifying, but it would be a fine achievement if, as Sir Henry Pollock recently suggested, a total of \$10,000 could be raised before the Fund closes. May we appeal for a special effort in this direction during the coming fortnight?

What the Fund Does.

The utmost care is being taken in the distribution of the Fund. In no circumstances is assistance given from the Fund to families of men who are in whole-time employment, whilst aid to families of the unemployed is given only in cases of acute distress. The relief granted in such cases cannot be on such a scale as to place the families of the unemployed in as favourable a position as the families of the employed.

Assistance is given in the form of boots for children, the feeding of children in the schools, the issue of food vouchers of 2s. 6d. per week to mothers, including expectant and nursing, the provision of boots and shoes for women, clothing for women and children, including maternity outfits in whole or in part, and the issue of family food vouchers of the value of not more than 5s. a week under certain conditions.

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A BOOK'S TRAGEDY.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—Scarcely any other outspoken historical work has ever had such a queer fate as that of "Historic Macao," second edition, published three years ago at Macao. For telling plain, bitter truths and suggesting an international regime to safeguard the precarious colony, that work was arbitrarily suppressed there without legal sanction. Even the straightforward remarks quoted from a previous Governor's work, as to overdue measures of reform, served to raise the hue and cry which led to the confiscation of every available copy, even private domiciles being raided for that purpose. At first the Governor had even agreed to subscribe a large number of copies, but misled by intrigues and without reading the book just published, he ordered its suppression as an anti-patriotic work, whereas its main purpose was obviously to spare the poor colony further ruin and the stricken mother-country heavier responsibilities in face of a crucial, hopeless situation which nobody was supposed to ignore.

In vain the author duly sent the home Government formal complaint against the unwarrantable procedure and claimed due redress for the crying wrongs. As a last resort, and in distress, he sought to square matters at the law court of Macao two years later, but only to be fined \$400, with the alternative of forty days imprisonment, for alleged abuse of the press law, whereas that law warranted fair criticism of administrative shortcomings. At the trial no definite charges were made by the prosecutor, who from the outset reserved the court's decision for appeal; and it was only on delivering judgment that the court cited over twenty paragraphs of the book as being of a subversive nature, though as a matter of fact they were merely historical criticism of old bungs whose lasting effects the new regime itself meant to undo. Pending the court of appeal's decision at Goa, it transpired that there was no valid ground at all for the trial, an amnesty having been granted at Lisbon for outstanding press law cases; and when promulgated at Macao eight months later the amnesty came still in time to quash the dragging, tragicomical case.

As to the restitution of the confiscated copies, the new judge referred the author to the Governor, as the court had nothing whatever to do with the seizure, effected as it was solely at the former Governor's bidding. A petition was next addressed to the Governor, who, after consulting the legal adviser, decided not to return the books, it being alleged that the amnesty was for the author but not for the work. Rather than let the books rot away, the author then suggested that they might as well be burnt. This suggestion was carried out lately, a bonfire being made of about five hundred copies. But in vain the author asked for some reasonable compensation so as to defray the cost of publication and enable him to get away in search of a living abroad, if only to spare Macao the shame of seeing her aged, broken-hearted historian cruelly beset by further undeserved ordeals before ending the long expiation for much civic devotion and self-sacrifice over the ill-fated labour of love, which elsewhere would have borne good fruit for all concerned.

It was quite overlooked that, apart from due criticism of baleful bungs and shortcomings, the hounded work records every honourable tradition and proud episode of the ill-starred colony, besides vindicating contested national rights on several knotty points. Nay, it is the only historical work which thoroughly rebuts unfair strictures on Macao by many a biased writer old and new, of ineffectual influence on public opinion. Moreover, from the international viewpoint, "Historic Macao" is of special interest nowadays inasmuch as it gives an impartial digest of all foreign relations with China from the outset to the present time, and quite frankly points out momentous international flaws, their unheeded causes and aggravating effects in course of evolution.

Thus, any fair-minded reader will admit that the wanton suppression of such a useful work is generally to be regretted, even from the educational viewpoint. A small part of the edition escaped confiscation, and the few copies still remaining at Brewer's bookstore are the only ones to be had now.

At last the book's strange tragedy is over, and to end his own the author bids Macao farewell for ever, relying on friendly help to get an

FIRM'S DEPOSITS.

ASSISTANT MANAGER CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

The case against J. dos Caidos who is charged on six counts arising out of alleged misappropriation of money, was again mentioned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when Mr. Loo d'Almada, appearing for the defence asked for a date to be fixed.

Mr. d'Almada asked that the case be heard as soon as possible as the defendant had been unable to find the necessary bail. The defence, continued Mr. d'Almada, would convince his Worship of the man's innocence on the evidence of the prosecution. It would be argued that the defendant who had received the money on behalf of the Philippine-China Trading Company, as its assistant manager, could account for every cent he had taken.

It was mentioned that a Filipino established himself in business in Wing On Buildings under the firm name of the Philippine-China Trading Company and appointed the defendant assistant manager. Caidos was authorised to engage employees who were required to pay a certain sum deposit. This money was paid into the firm's account.

Mr. d'Almada compared the defendant's actions with the business of a bank and remarked that if the complainants wished to have their money returned they should take civil action. He said that banks were their customers' debtors and not their trustees.

His Worship remarked that banks were required by law to have certain reserves, but Mr. d'Almada replied that that was between the bank and the Government and had nothing to do with the customers.

His Worship adjourned the case until to-day for hearing, the defendant being remanded in Police custody.

TRAFFIC OFFENCES.

POLICE RESERVIST FINED FOR RECKLESS DRIVING.

In one of the traffic summonses heard before Major C. Wilson yesterday, Chan Chu-fai, a Police Reservist and member of the Flying Squad, was charged with reckless driving. It was stated that when driving his machine along Wongneichong Road, Chan had both his hands off the handlebars while holding on his hat. The procedure was considered to be highly dangerous in view of the fact that the road was much used by vehicular traffic on that day—a race day. A fine of \$5 was inflicted.

A public car driver, who cut into Wardley Street ahead of another car in order to forestall the latter in the matter of picking up prospective fares just landed from a launch at Queen's Pier, and, while doing so, nearly edged a European traffic patrolman into the water, was fined \$12 for reckless driving, on pleading guilty. A taxi driver was also fined \$12 in similar circumstances, the offence cited being that of overtaking another taxi in the controlled area of Garden Road.

Some surprise and amusement was created by the alert appearance of an old woman who came forward to answer another summons. She informed the Court, however, that her only connexion with the case was in the fact that she was the mother of the man named in the summons and had come forward to plead for a son who was absent in Canton. The summons was adjourned.

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ART EXHIBITION.

PLEASING PICTURES AT MESSRS. KOMOR & KOMOR.

The bi-annual exhibition of pictures at Messrs. Komor and Komor, St. George's Building, is up to the high standard of previous exhibitions. There are a variety of pictures in water colours, pastels and oil paintings from \$3 to \$50. Every exhibit is a work of art and a joy to the eye. All the well-known artists are represented. Terraced, the master of atmospheric views, shows again what a wonderful observer of nature he is. No. 4, "Tokyo," and No. 5, "Hakone," are outstanding and No. 52 and No. 209, "Kamakura at Night" are charming studies. A collection of small pictures, costing only \$3 to \$4, make pleasing decorations.

Kobayashi, the doyen of Japanese artists, has some fascinating pictures from \$3 upwards. No. 1, "Nikko," has been sold. No. 7, "Yokohama," and No. 9, "Autumn" are very colourful. Benson has some fine Fuji views, of which No. 2 has been sold. There are some smaller ones left, all perfect in drawing and perspective. The oil paintings by Kondo and Kuroda are new and are surprisingly well done. The Japanese Alps are very realistic, the light effects

P.W.D. LAND SALE.

PROPERTY BOUGHT BY MR. F. C. MOWFUNG.

Although there was quite a large number of people at the sale by public auction yesterday of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2,184, only two were seen to bid, one being Mr. F. C. Mowfung and the other a Chinese lady.

This upset price was \$3,162 and bidding was at \$100 a time. The sale opened with Mr. Mowfung raising the price to \$3,800, and with the Chinese lady offering opposition, the property was knocked down to Mr. Mowfung for \$5,000.

This lot adjoins Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2,166, Bay Yeung Choi Street, Mong Kok Tsiu, and has an area of about 2,108 square feet, the annual rental being \$24, being wonderful.

There is a nice display of pastels in soft colours. The exhibition remains open for ten days from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and should not be missed.

CHINESE CHAMBER.

MR. LI YIK-MUI ELECTED CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR.

The election of the new committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce for the year, was held yesterday afternoon.

In succession to Mr. Li Yau-tsun, who was Chairman last year but did not offer himself for re-election, Mr. Li Yik-mui, who was last year vice-Chairman, has been elected Chairman. Mr. Li is a Justice of Peace and also a prominent member of the District Watchmen Committee. In connexion with the Tung Wah Hospital he is an adviser, and he is a Director of the Po Leung Kuk.

Mr. Chau Yue-teng has been appointed vice-Chairman. The following gentlemen form the Executive Committee: Messrs. Ho Kwong, Tang Shiu-kin, Ho Yu, Ip Lan-chuen, Fung Ping-shan, Li Yau-tsun, Sum Pak-ming, Tam Woon-tong, Lo Chung-kui, Li Po-kwai, Wong Ping-suen, Chan Tin-son, Fung Heung-chuen, Lui Yum-suen and J. M. Wong.

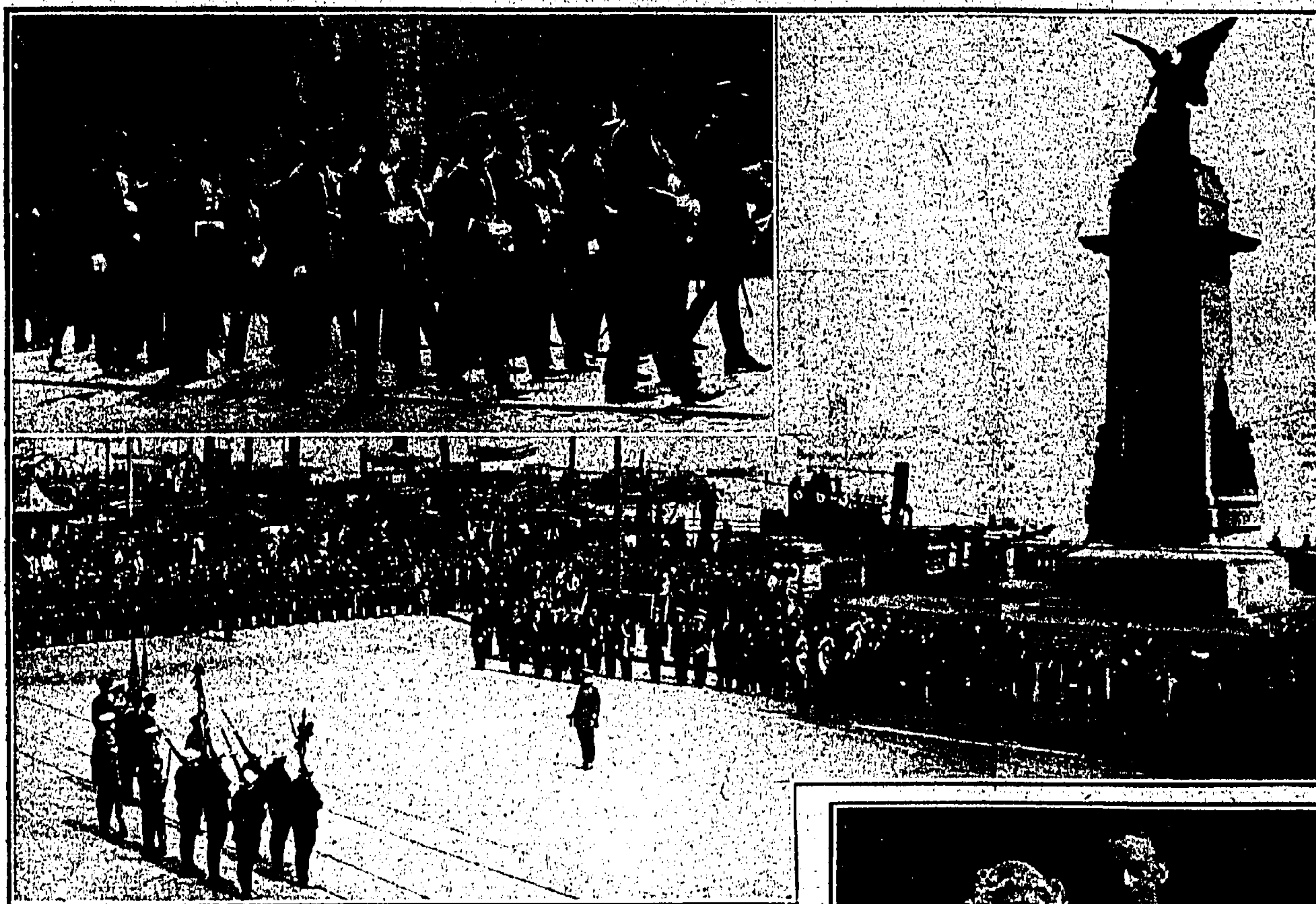
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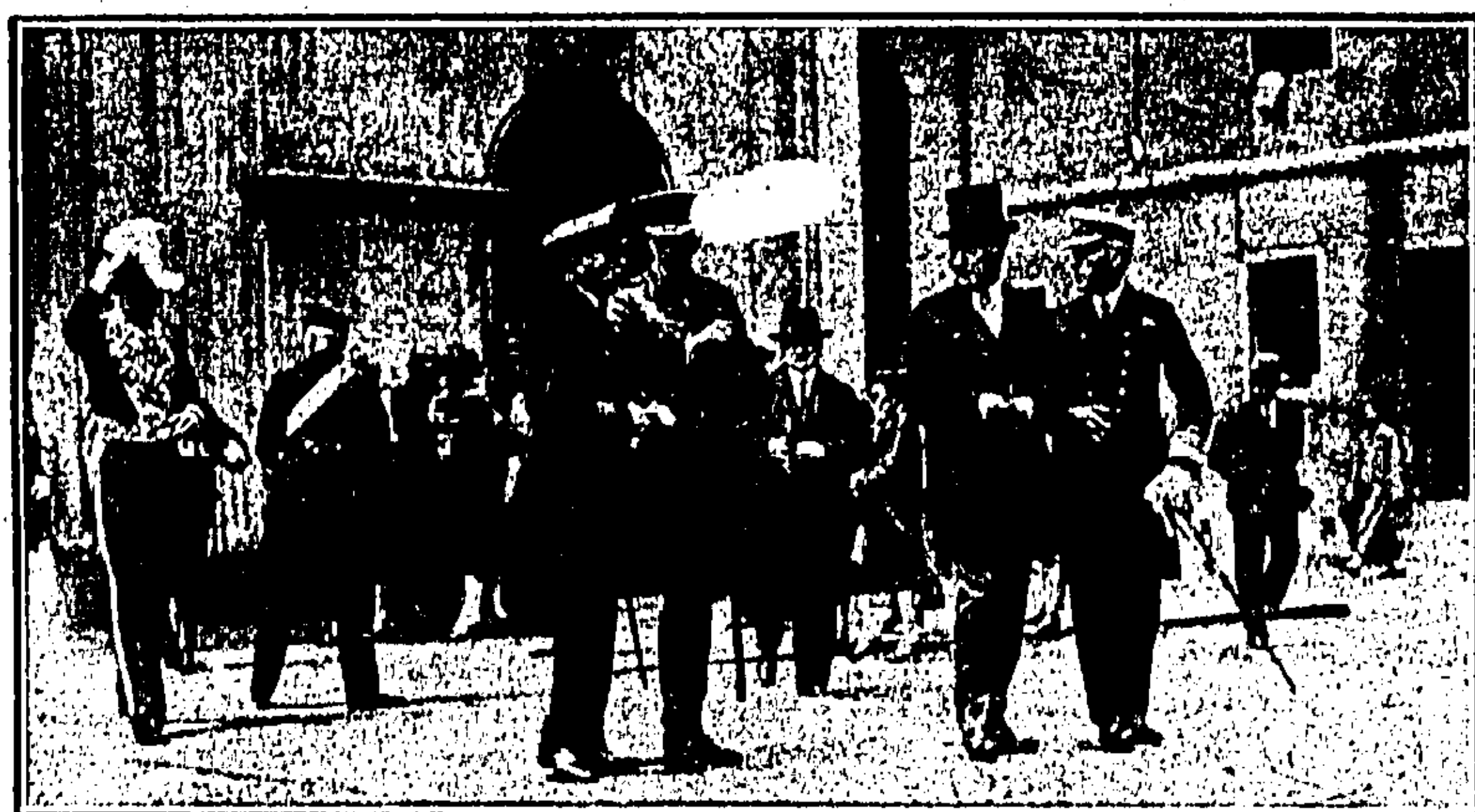
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Mr. Edwin Cunningham, Senior Consul, Vice-Admiral Waistell, Rear-Admiral Stirling, and Major-General Wardrop are shown above at the St. Joseph's Church for the memorial service to Marshal Foch.



Photo taken after the wedding at the General Church, Shanghai, of Mr. Max Schibler, and Miss Velli Kenggli.



At the annual dinner of the Shanghai Hockey Club recently, after capturing the League Shield.



Group taken at a dinner given in Shanghai to Mr. F. W. Chadderton, Director of Platt Brothers, Oldham. It was announced yesterday that this famous British firm had obtained an order of £100,000 worth of cotton mill machinery from Soviet Russia. Mr. Chadderton is now in Japan.



Taken after the wedding at the U.S. Consulate-General, of Mr. V. J. Pindley and Miss Mouna Dierks, of Shanghai.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 13th April, 1929, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries close at 12 o'clock noon on Friday, 6th April, 1929.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER COMPANY (1918), LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., the General Managers of the said Company, "St. George's" Building, Hongkong, on Monday, the 6th day of May, 1929, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as Ordinary Resolutions.

1. That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$3,600,000 divided into 720,000 shares of the nominal value of \$5 each, the whole of which have been issued) be increased to \$5,000,000 by the creation of 280,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$5 each ranking as from date of allotment for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.

2. That 80,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be offered forthwith in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of nine existing shares held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 6th day of May, 1929, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 720,000 shares at par and so that on acceptance of the offer the full nominal amount of \$5 due in respect of each such share taken up shall be paid not later than the 4th day of July, 1929.

And that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined, and that the Directors of the Company be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date or dates and upon such terms as they may think fit. And further that any of the said 80,000 shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

3. That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share or shares held by such shareholder.

4. That the remaining 200,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be issued in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 15th day of April, 1929, to SATURDAY, the 4th day of May, 1929 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered. Dated the Twenty eighth day of March, 1929.

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3.—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

A receiving order in bankruptcy has, according to the London Gazette, been made on a creditor's petition against Sir John Henniker Heaton, Bart., of Calvi, Corsica, in the Republic of France, of no occupation. The Public Examination is fixed for April 19.

Lammert's Auctions

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY, the 6th April, 1929, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 1, Stanley Terrace (Middle Floor), Quarry Bay, immediately above West Gate, Tai Koo Park Yard.

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A Quantity of Furniture.

Desks, Dressing Tables, Sideboards, Washing Tables, Wardrobes, Door Mats, (Mattings), Electric Ceiling and Table Fans, Tables, etc., etc.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1245 s.
Chartered Bank, \$203 b.
Mercantile A. & B., \$341 n.
P. and O. \$291 n.
East Asia \$301 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$695 b.
Union Ins., \$383 n.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$2.40 s.
China Fire, \$290 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$752 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$36 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$26 s.
H. K. Tugs, \$2.40 n.
Indo-Chinese (Def.) \$92 n.
Union Waterboats, \$221 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$2.75 b.
Kallans, \$3.9 n.
Langkats, Tls. 14 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 3.00 s.
Raubs, \$6.65 n. X. Div.
Tronohs, 17/6 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$124 s.
Whampoa Docks, \$37 s.
China Providents, \$4.55 b.
Hongkwa, Tls. 169 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 4.85 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 117 b.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 12.60 b.
Oriental, Tls. 2 n.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 72 (old) n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hoops, \$9.10 s.
H. K. Lands, \$63 b.
Shai Lands Tls. 171 b.
Humphreys, \$4.35 b.
Realities, \$8.60 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$18.45 b.
Peak Tram, (old) \$121 b.
Star Ferries, \$87 b.
China Lights, (Old) \$13.90 b.
H. K. Electric, \$531 n.
Macao Electric, \$261 n.
Telephones, \$7.10 n.
China Buses, Tls. 13 b.
Singapore Traction, 11/6 n.

Industrials.

China Sugars, \$1.00 s.
Malabons, \$30 b.
Canton Icas, \$2 s.
Coments (Comb.) \$3.70 s.
Ropes (Old) \$71 n.
United Asbestos \$5 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$20 s.
Watsons, \$13.20 b. X. Div.
Der A. Wings, \$80 b.
Lane Crawford, \$24 s.
MacIntosh, \$20 n.
Sinceros, \$11 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$25.00 b.
Constructions, \$1.25 s.
B'que Ind. C. Bonds, 661%
H.K.G. Loan \$14% Prem. Interest.

A FRENCH GRIEVANCE.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION AT BRITISH PORTS.

Paris, Mar. 8. The admission of Sir William Johnson-Hicks in the House of Commons yesterday, that French women and girls visiting England for any length of time must be prepared to face a medical examination on landing, has created a painful impression in France, where a campaign, led by the Temps, the most authoritative and influential of the French newspapers, has for some time been waged more in sorrow than in anger against this practice.

Though restrained in their expressions, French official circles are not slow to point out that the examination, apart from providing a point of friction between two good friends, is completely ineffective. If its object is to prevent disease being brought to England from the Continent, it would be just as logical to examine all English tourists returning from a holiday abroad.

The Paris *Soir* this evening suggests that here is an exceptional occasion for paying England the compliment of following her example. "We are not advocating reprisals," we merely propose to imitate our good friends in a measure which, as Sir William Johnson-Hicks says, is neither humiliating nor outrageous.

The British Home Secretary stated in the House of Commons that the examination was usually of a superficial character, and that he was considering with the Minister of Health what modifications could be made so as to remove any cause of grievance.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office is now situated on the ground floor of the P. & O. Building on Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office. This office is open day and night.

All particulars as to ships in communication, rates, etc., may be obtained at the Radio Office as above.

Radio Telegrams may be sent to Europe, America, Philippine Islands, Dutch East Indies and many other destinations; also to Canton and many places in South China. Full particulars at the Radio Office.

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REGISTERED and PARCELS MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

It is hereby notified that on and after 1st January, 1929:—
(a) the radio rate on messages to Macao will be 10 cents per word, and
(b) the charges on messages to all Ship Stations, irrespective of Nationality, will be on the basis of a word rate, pure and simple, with no minimum charge.

Direct wireless communication has now been established between Hongkong and the Kiangsu Stations at Wuchow, Nanjing and Lushow. The charge is \$0.20 per word. Messages will also be accepted for Kwei-Yang and Changsha by above routes—the charge being \$0.30 per word. No charge will be collected from the addressee for the delivery service.

Wedding cake for transmission by post to places outside the Colony must be securely packed in tin boxes.

It is hereby notified that on and after 15th March, the rates for radio telegrams from Hongkong to the undermentioned places in Kwangtung Province (except Canton) will be as follows:—

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In both cases the addressee will be required to pay an additional charge due to the Receiving Station of \$0.20 per word; this charge also applies to radiotelegrams received at Hongkong from Pakhoi, Swatow, Hohow, Sammal and Chungshan.

INWARD MAILS.

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Japan	Shankawa Maru April 4.
Japan	Shunko Maru April 4.
Europe via Negapatam, letters only	Diomed April 4.
London 7th March	Burma Maru April 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru April 5.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia, London 16th March	Hakusan Maru April 5.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Monroe April 6.
Manila	Empress of France April 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland April 8.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln April 8.
Australia and Manila	Changte April 9.
Shanghai	Porihos April 9.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Madison April 12.
Shanghai	Naldera April 12.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia April 12.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Date and Time.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning Wed., Apr. 3, 4.30 p.m.
Formosa	Sourabaya Maru Wed., Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
Welhaiwei	Hulchow Wed., Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Kidderpore Wed., Apr. 3, 6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru Thurs., Apr. 4, 8.30 a.m.
Padua	 Thurs., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Hydrangea Thurs., Apr. 4, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Boclor Thurs., Apr. 4, 8.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Wong Shek Kong Thurs., Apr. 4, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon	 Thurs., Apr. 4, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Mausang Fri., Apr. 5, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Mombasa, Lourenco Marques & South Africa	Kanagawa Maru Fri., Apr. 5, 10.30 a.m.
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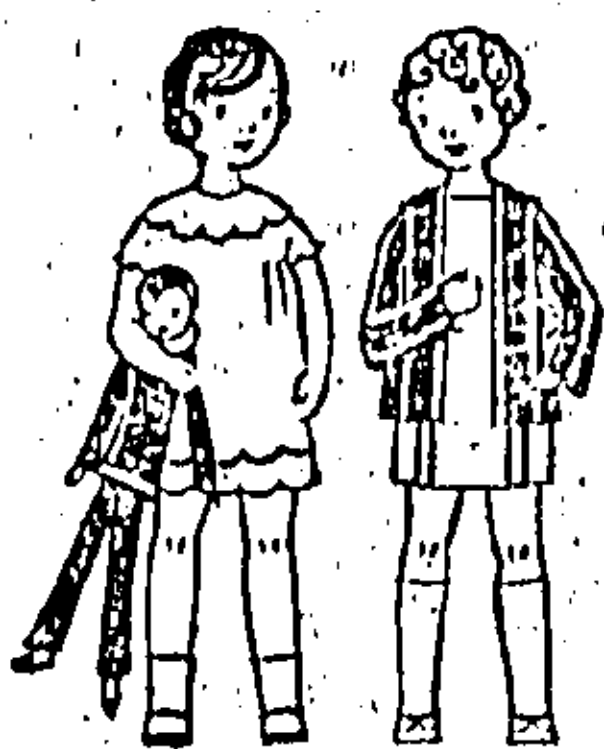
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WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT.

The marriage of Miss Mabel Gittins and Mr. George A. V. Hall will take place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 17th April.

No invitations are being issued, but friends and relations are cordially invited to the ceremony and to the reception, which will be held in the adjoining Church Hall.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 3, 1929

SOUTH CHINA'S
ROLE.

After Canton's decision to fall in on the side of Nanking in the clash with Wuhan, it would not have been surprising, from some standpoints, if, as reported by a vernacular newspaper, Wang Shao-hung had followed suit. A week ago, however, neither the one development nor the other seemed probable. It was then felt that Nanking's declaration of war, taken in conjunction with the detention of Li Chai-sum, would be sufficient to weld supporters of the Kwangsi clique firmly together in a determination to oppose Chiang Kai-shek and the Nanking Government. When, however, it became apparent that Feng Yu-hsiang was to throw his weight on the side of Nanking, the situation took on a new complexion. With Feng on their side, the Wuhan leaders might have hoped for some measure of success in their military operations; with him in opposition, it became obvious that the position was hopeless. Chan Chai-tong, by promising obedience to Nanking, settled Kwangtung's role in the new war. Wong Shao-hung, however, is, unlike Chan Chai-tong, a Kwangsi man and, contrary to yesterday's report, he does not appear inclined to follow Canton's lead.

The developments in Canton, whatever may be thought of the motives inspiring them, have confounded most of the political prophets, even some who have professed a constant readiness to be prepared for surprises in the matter of military alignments in China. We have a suspicion that there has been a good deal of surrendering of clique loyalty in the resolve of Kwangtung to bow to the will of Nanking, and from that standpoint there is nothing very noble or in-

spiring about the rather precipitate volte face shown. Whatever Kwangsi's final decision may be, we trust South China will be spared from serious civil strife. Canton has, in its time, had more than enough of stress and turmoil, and here in Hongkong we hold the hope that no disturbing element will arise to set back the era of peace and growing confidence to which we are now becoming accustomed. This Colony has no concern with political reactions in Canton; all that it desires is to see concord preserved and progress continued.

There are, of course, really large issues involved in the Wuhan-Nanking split, but we do not need to go fully into these at the moment. The strengthening of central power and authority is an end to be desired, admittedly. From that angle, we can gather some solace from recent developments. But it is still open to argument whether the time is ripe for the absolute displacement of strong regional authorities. This much can at any rate be said—that the manner in which Nanking seeks to impose its will on China as a whole will have vital effects on the future of the country. A too rigid enforcement of central rule may in the long run prove fatal. Meantime, let us hope that, whatever is in store for Canton, the adjacent territory may be governed so peacefully and efficiently as it latterly has been under the rule of Li Chai-sum, for whose plight and ill-fortunes we cannot refrain from expressing sincere regret.

Broadcasts.

Hongkong has been so consistent for so long in its failure to keep abreast with modern developments, that the Government seems to be reluctant to draw proper attention to any break from this tradition. Everyone is in a position to follow the activities of the various Government departments will readily and accurately conclude that we are referring to the rapid strides made in recent months in the field of wireless facilities, in connexion with which the administration is deserving of hearty congratulations. The provision of adequate equipment for a Colony of this size has been subject to long delay, no real effort having been made in this direction until about a year ago. Having once decided to go ahead, however, the Government settled down to the job thoroughly, and the achievements to date are distinctly creditable. The new broadcasting station at the Peak is wonderfully well equipped, and while the proposals have not matured in their entirety yet, there is every reason to believe that within a short time, Hongkong will be as well served as any place in the Far East. The Estimates reveal that approximately \$100,000 has been spent in the current year on wireless development, and those members of the public who have receiving-sets have been reaping the benefit for several months past. In this direction, we are afraid, the Government has a prejudice to break down. Many amateurs secured their introduction to the delights of "radio" when it was a waste of time to endeavour to pick up anything in the air broadcast in the Colony, and eventually only a few enthusiasts with ambitions beyond local bounds survived the disappointment. If wireless is to be popularised it must be by means of one-and-two-valve sets, which are, of course, quite adequate for clear reception of the Peak broadcast programmes. We understand that the income derived from licences for sets is scarcely sufficient to pay the Government's electricity bill at the Peak, though we are satisfied that when it becomes generally known that dabbling in wireless is at last really worth while, the suppliers of instruments will do profitable business. Incidentally, the Government is showing considerable enterprise regarding its broadcasts, the relaying of the Melodians from the centre of the town last night proving most successful.

DAY BY DAY.

EVERY LIFE IS MEANT TO HELP ALL LIVES.—Alice Cary.

The birth of a son to the Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Young is announced to-day.

The rainfall recorded at the Botanic Gardens during the month of March was only .90 inch. It rained on only three of the thirty-one days.

Passengers who left by the Tenyo Maru to-day included Col. and Mrs. J. S. Bostock, Capt. and Mrs. E. Nelson Turner, Mrs. H. Syme Thomson, and Mr. J. S. Gubbay.

It is understood that Professor W. J. Hinton, Professor of Political Economy at the Hongkong University, is shortly leaving the Colony, on having received an appointment in London. He has been with the University since 1912, and he will be greatly missed on his departure from Hongkong.

A Chinese woman pleaded not guilty at the Police Court to-day on a charge of unlawful possession of opium. Police evidence showed that the opium was found locked up in a basket under her bed. A fine of \$120 was imposed by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, with the alternative of six weeks' imprisonment.

When Mr. Grave, of No. 11 Stone Bungalow, Victoria Road, appeared before Major C. Wilson this morning on a summons issued in his name for allowing an unmuzzled dog to be abroad, it was stated a mistake had been made, as the dog in question belonged to Mr. Feltham of the Public Works Department. The case was dismissed.

An interesting visitor to Hongkong at the moment is Mr. George H. Maus, of Amsterdam. New York. Mr. Maus is a large importer and exporter of rattan and bamboo and is now making a world tour in the interests of his business. He exports largely from Formosa and Japan and after spending a few days in Hongkong will pay visits to those places before returning to America. Mr. Maus, who arrived on the Tilio from Macassar yesterday, is staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended Saturday, March 23, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, gives the following cases, the figures in parentheses indicating deaths: Plague, Bagdad 5 (2), Basrah (2), Bombay (3), Rangoon (3), Colombo (2), Penang 2 (2), Chongqing, Basrah (3), Calcutta (3), Moumein (1), Rangoon (6), Bangkok 14 (0), Penang 2 (1), Saigon 5 (1), Canton 11, Small-pox, Haiphong 8 (0), Aden 11 (1), Bagdad 3 (1), Basrah (1), Bombay 110 (52), Calcutta 32 (21), Karachi 57 (18), Madras 98 (23), Moumein 3, Negapatam 8, Rangoon 2 (2), Vizagapatam 3 (2), Balikpapan 4, Belawan Dell 2 (1), Samarinda (3), Penang 19 (10), Saigon 1, Shanghai (5), Canton 42 (4), Macao (7).

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Apr. 2.	
Paris	124.20
Brussels	34.46
Amsterdam	12.75
Stockholm	18.15
Vienna	34.53
Helsinki	102.2
Lisbon	108
Buenos Aires	810
Shanghai	47.5/10
Yokohama	2/6 1/2
New York	1/10 1/2
Genoa	4.55/72
Berlin	25.225
Oalo	20.405
Prague	18.105
Madrid	163.4
Athens	32.125
Rio	5.27/82
Hongkong	1/6 31/32
Silver (spot)	25.15/16
Silver (forward)	26

—British Wireless.

WILLS PROVED
LOCALLY.ESTATE OF THE LATE MR.
G. T. KNIGHT.

Recalling of probate of the will of Mr. George Thomas Knight, of 181, Northumberland Park, Tottenham, Middlesex, who died on September 24, 1923, has been granted to Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, attorneys for the sole executrix, Emma Elizabeth Williams (wife of Charles Williams), and niece of the deceased.

After bequests of \$1,000 to Emily Florence Chappell, of 17, Marlborough Street, Swindon, and five amounts of \$100 to each of his five sisters, the deceased's will leaves the remainder of the property to his niece in view of her unfailing kindness to me over a period of many years.

Net personal estate left by the deceased amounts to £3,037 18s. 8d., the local estate amounting to under \$1,100.

Chinese Estates.

Letters of administration have been granted to Fung Mok Shi, of 26, Hill Road, second floor, the widow of Fung Sik Fan, merchant, of 4, Almat Terrace, Kowloon, who died on February 5, 1928. The deceased left property of an assessed value of \$6,810.

Probate of the will of Chan Tai Kee, late of Ki Ling Village, Tai Shan District, Kwangtung, widow, who died in February, 1926, has been granted to Li Ting, of 67, Queen's Road, West, Hong Kong, who is the survivor of two sons mentioned as the beneficiaries. Value of property amounts to \$24,525.

FANLING GOLF.

THREE SHARE THE BOGEY
POOL.

There were no fewer than 114 entries for the Bogey Pool played at Fanling yesterday, and the result was that O.E.C. Marton (scr.), Lt. Comdr. W. D. Brown (6) and T. C. Monaghan (11) tied with three up and divide the Pool. Other scores were:

Two up—L. R. Andrews (5), One up—J. M. Walker (6), M. G. Mills (10), C. E. Costello (17), Comdr. M. L. Clarke (14), R. K. Hepburn (10), E. W. Kirk (10), All square—H. Spicer (16), D. J. Gilmore (11).

Medal Competition.

There were 19 entries in the Medal Competition, played from March 29th to April 2nd, and the winner was E. W. Kirk with a score of 78 (83-10). Other scores were:

Capt. the Hon. W. S. Leveson Gower 86—10=78, Comdr. M. L. Clark 90—14=78.

Mixed Bogey.

There were 24 entries for the Mixed Bogey Competition at Fanling, played between March 29th and April 2nd.

Capt. the Hon. W. S. Leveson Gower and Mrs. Byron, and Major & Mrs. R. H. Lucas tied (one down) and divide.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT
MATCH TO-DAY.

The following have been selected to play for the Navy against the Army in a triangular Rugby tournament match to-day, kick-off at 4.45 p.m., on the Club ground.—Back, A. B. Webb (Cornwall); Three-quarters, Mid. Batten (Berwick), Mid. Wright (Sussex), Mid. Buckley (Cornwall), Mne. McKay (Cornwall); Halves, Lieut. Evans (Kent), Lieut. Davies (Sussex), Forwards, Lieut. Lefroy (Sussex), L. S. Madden (Petersfield), L. S. Morgan (Cornwall), Stew. Ranch (Cornwall), Mne. Smith (Cornwall), A. B. Knott (Cornwall), Mid. Griffiths (Cornwall), L. S. Bickle (Sussex).

COMMON ERRORS
IN BRIDGE
AND HOW TO
CORRECT THEM.
By H. W. Wentworth.FAILURE TO SQUEEZE
TRUMP TO THE POINT.

North (Dummy)—
♠ 6 5
♥ 4 3
♦ 7 5 3
♣ 7 6 4

West—
Leads ♠ 2

South (Declarer)—
♠ A K Q J 4 3
♥ A K Q 6
♦ 6 5
♣ 5

The Bidding: South bids three spades and all pass.
Deciding the Play: West leads

2 of clubs and opponents win the first trick. The second club trick is won by Declarer with 2 of spades. How should Declarer plan to make game?
The Error: Declarer leads Ace, King, Queen, Jack of spades, retaining one trump in his hand, and then plays the heart suit and makes three tricks in hearts.
The Correct Method: Declarer plays all his spades to compel a heart discard and then the heart tricks will thus be made. The novice usually plays all the trumps but one and then switches to another suit trusting to chance that he may establish the suit.
The Principle: To squeeze in order to compel a discard that will establish a suit, boldly play every trump.

The Very Idea!

Right on the heels of a new little book with ten recipes for gaining a man's love comes a magazine article by Corinne Lowe on "Ten Ways of Losing a Man's Love."

The lady, boiled down, seem to go like this:

1. Never tell him unpleasant truths about himself.

2. Don't be an efficiency engineer instructing a man on every move in his life from how to carve the chicken to how to shave himself.

3. Don't be jealous.

4. Don't let yourself go. This means don't go in for the collection of double chin nor think it makes no difference how you dress or look around the house.

5. Don't be a wet blanket and regard a husband as the mere father of your children and the house as your house and a place where he is merely tolerated.

6. Don't lose your mental curiosity in the rituals of housewifery and be capable of only personal, housewifely conversation.

7. Don't be a dirt chaser who creates too prophylactic a home from which men flee more swiftly than from the actually slovenly house.

8. Be not devoid of a sense of humour.

9. Don't be extravagant, goading a man on to more and bigger penises, making him feel that he is important only as a nickel grubber.

10. Do not be incapable of any emotional life, acting as if you were merely putting up with your husband.

"I hope that's a nice book for you to read, darling," said a conscientious mother to her young daughter.

"Oh, yes, mummy; it's a lovely book, but I don't think you would like it. It's so sad at the end."

"How is it sad, dear?"

"Well, she dies, and he has to go back to his wife."

I have a box of matches, and they go

To light a fire for warmth, a pipe for peace,
A lamp for guidance, or the candle's glow
For friendliness when daylight labours cease.

Or one may come to nothing—break in two;
Or in the ashes shed its scarlet crown;

Or scorch your fingers, burn the carpet through,
Or lay a rick in ruins, or a town.

So they are spent, and vanish one by one,
Brief altar-flames to happiness or strife;

What shall I do when all of them are gone?
The matches are my years—the box my life.

The Glasgow police are looking for a man who escaped from Duke-street Prison by a very clever ruse. After dinner one Saturday the man told a warder that he had swallowed a spoon.

The prisoner appeared to be suffering great agony, and he was immediately rushed off to hospital, accompanied by a warder.

An examination by a doctor at the hospital, however, revealed that the prisoner's story was untrue. When the warder and his charge alighted from a tramcar on the way back to the prison the man suddenly pushed over his guardian and dashed away.

The big business man had died and gone to—well, not to heaven. But hardly had he settled down for a nice long smoke when a hearty hand slapped him on the back, and into his ear boomed the voice of a persistent salesman who had pestered him much on earth.

"Well, well," chortled the salesman, "I'm here for the appointment."

"What appointment?"

"Why, don't you remember," the salesman went on, "Every time I came into your office you told me you'd see me here."

May other quarrels, which today seem as impossible of solution as the Roman question seemed in 1870, with the lapse of years find a similar happy solution.—Sir Austen Chamberlain.

When the Christian and the Mahomedan say "There is one God," they make the same noise, but they are not saying the same thing.—The Archbishop of York.

One couple I know would not get married, until they had put by enough money to pay for a divorce.

—If necessary, it was—Mr. J. D. Beresford.

Tell the schoolmaster plainly that if he tolerates bad handwriting he will be peremptorily sacked and there is an end of the trouble.—Mr. A. F. Murlison.

Something between second and third-class cricket provides the most interesting game.—Mr. W. C. Bridgeman.

**DEPOSIT FRAUDS
ALLEGED.****SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST
A PORTUGUESE.****45 PEOPLE INVOLVED.**

A commencement was made before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, in the case against J. dos Cados, who is charged with theft and fraud in respect of certain monies alleged to have been deposited by would-be employees as security.

Mr. L. R. Andrews, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, while Mr. Leo d'Almada, snr., appeared for the defence.

Outlining the case, Mr. Andrews said that he understood the defendant opened a shop in Wing Lok Buildings, Nathan Road. The premises were in the new block of houses erected just behind the Peninsula Hotel. On the window was painted the name "The Philippine-China Trading Company," which was described as general merchants, etc.

The business was started on February 1, and later the defendant got into touch with a man who introduced him to others. Various positions were offered to several men, who, according to the terms of their employment, were required to pay a deposit. In all, 45 persons were introduced to the defendant and deposits made by these people amounted to \$1,575.

Complained to Police.

Contracts were made out with the 45 persons and a receipt was given for the money. The contracts appeared to have been stamped. The gist of the contracts was that each person deposited a certain sum of money against receiving jobs in the firm. Some of them had trifling jobs, while others were so unsatisfactory and unsatisfactory in nature that on March 24, and subsequently, these people who had deposited their money went to the Water Police Station and laid a complaint against the defendant.

As a result of the reports, Detective Sergeant Fowles interviewed the defendant and asked him what he intended doing. The officer requested the defendant to declare himself one way or the other. The day being a Sunday, and the banks closed, the defendant said that if the people returned the following day they would receive their money back.

The employees returned the following day but found nobody on the premises except a few of the foks. They never got their jobs and were not likely to get them. Continuing, Mr. Andrews said he believed the defendant had induced other local wholesale firms to supply him with goods and with the exception of one or two instances these people were not paid, and they reclaimed their goods.

Too Much Rush.

Mr. Andrews said he thought that yesterday Mr. d'Almada had asked that the case be heard this morning, but the prosecution, as a result, were very much embarrassed because the Crown had been rushed as they had at least the 45 depositors as well as other witnesses. The police had to take statements from all of these; in fact, it was only this morning that the agreements were collected.

His Worship remarked that he thought Mr. d'Almada's idea was that a start should be made to-day.

Mr. Andrews pointed out the difficulty of starting before the prosecution was completely prepared to go on. He said that the ends of justice might not be met by the case being rushed. From what he had seen of the case, it was going to be a big one, and would require some time to go through the papers.

His Worship asked if the prosecution wanted the case dealt with summarily, but Mr. Andrews said that he did not yet know.

It was decided to take the evidence of one witness and then adjourn.

The case is proceeding.**LOCAL HOCKEY.**

The following have been chosen to represent the Hongkong Hockey Club "A" team against the K.B.S.F.P.A. on the King's Park ground on Friday: Sapsed, Rowell, Rankin, Ashby, Duran, N. Evans, Price, Botello, Nowers, Laffender, Ross. Bully-off, 5.15 p.m.

The "Franconia Orchestra" consisting of 12 Versatile English Artists will play during the Dinner Dances at the Repulse Bay Hotel on Thursday, April 4, from 8.30 p.m. to 12 midnight. The programme includes songs, skits, and dances. Tables may now be reserved at the Peninsula, Hongkong or Repulse Bay Hotels.

**FIGHT AT KOWLOON
FERRY.****QUARREL OVER JOB IN THE
MOTOR ASSOCIATION.****INDIANS BOUND OVER.**

Two Indian watchmen, one employed by the Dollar Steamship Line and the other engaged by the Hongkong Automobile Association to look after vehicles at the Star Ferry Pier, appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on charges of behaving in a disorderly manner by fighting at the Kowloon Ferry wharf.

The first defendant said that the trouble arose over a debt which the other man owed him. Some time ago, he continued, both men had been before the Court for fighting. He himself had been fined \$20, while the second defendant was ordered to pay a fine of \$5, which sum was actually paid by the first defendant. It was over this debt that the dispute arose.

The second defendant, however, said that it was because of his refusal to get the first defendant work in the Hongkong Automobile Association that the incident occurred. He knew the first defendant to be a quick-tempered man and did not wish to recommend him to the Association. The defendant admitted that he had been fined before.

His Worship remarked that both seemed to be of a quarrelsome nature.

Detective Sergeant Humphreys told his Worship that the first defendant was a very obstinate person. He refused bail at the Police Station and resisted being taken to the cell. He again violently resisted the police when he was this morning taken out of the cell.

His Worship remarked that he did not think he could take the defendant's behaviour at the Station into account.

The police replied that that went to show that the first defendant had been the cause of the trouble.

His Worship intimated that he would bind the defendants over and accordingly ordered each to sign a bond for \$5 to be of good behaviour for six months.

**CANTON'S "PEACE"
ACTIVITIES.***(Continued from Page 1.)*

sum adopted by General Tang Sai-chang was warmly commended.

Fears of Rising. The Provincial Government have declared themselves for peace, and for loyal co-operation with the Nationalist Government of the Republic of China. They declare they are unwilling to give further chance to the unruly Communist element to make another bid for power here by precipitating themselves into another conflict far from their base; Canton, said the Government spokesman, has suffered too much in recent years from wars, communism and unstable government.

They desire peace and quiet in order to get the opportunity of developing their resources and trade which can only be obtained by fully co-operating with the Central Government.

There is no intention to mobilise for the present in Kwangtung though it was stated that the Provincial authorities will not tolerate any interference with their rights and they will be fully prepared in the unlikely event of the Province being invaded from the outside.

Li Chai-sum's Safety. Mr. Maurice A. Cohen returned to Canton yesterday. In an interview he said he took tiffin with Marshal Li Chai-sum in Nanking on Monday last when Marshal Li, though detained, appeared to be in good spirits. He told Mr. Cohen to tell his friends in Canton not to worry about him as he was quite safe. Mr. Cohen stated his personal belief that no bodily harm will be done to Marshal Li Chai-sum; up to the time that Mr. Cohen left Nanking, the evening of March 25th, Marshal Li was being very well treated, merely being detained in a large house at the Hot Springs where he was at liberty to stroll around the compound and to receive a number of friends.

Amongst other things, Mr. Cohen was the only foreigner who was privileged to attend the Third National Congress at Nanking. He was very much impressed with their enthusiasm and with the "parliamentary" procedure.

Asked if he thought the war would last long, Mr. Cohen replied "Although I belong to the tribe of Israel, I am not a prophet." However, when pressed on the subject he said that there would be no trouble in Kwangtung and that he expected a speedy settlement of the Wuhan situation. — Our Own Correspondent.

**ANOTHER TOURIST
STEAMER.****FRANCONIA ARRIVES HERE
FROM MANILA.****OVER 400 ON BOARD.**

Another tourist vessel, the s.s. Franconia arrived in Hongkong this afternoon with over 400 passengers on board. The Franconia has paid several visits to the Colony in recent years proving herself an extremely popular ship with world tourists. She is a beautifully-equipped liner of 20,000 tons, her public rooms being noteworthy for their size and the lavishness of their decorations.

The Franconia left New York on January 15 with a full complement of passengers; the majority being from America. Europe is fairly well represented on the cruise, however, and there are several notables on board. From New York, the liner proceeded to Funchal, Gibraltar, Algiers and Monaco. Later a call was paid at Naples and the travellers then proceeded to Bombay, calling at Haifa, Port Said, Suez, and Djibouti en route.

From India, the cruise extended to Colombo, Rangoon, Penang, Singapore, Bangkok, Saigon, Batavia, Samarang, Macassar, Zamboanga and Manila. The liner arrived from the latter port early this afternoon, being well up to schedule.

The Franconia is commanded by Captain E. T. Britten R.D., R.N.R. while the cruise director is Mr. Ross H. Skinner. He has under his control a large cruising staff, while the tour is under the auspices of Thos. Cook and Sons, Ltd.

Excellent weather has favoured the cruise so far, but the visitors found Hongkong conditions rather hot. However, the cool atmosphere was much appreciated. The majority of the tourists made their way ashore quite early after arrival, while others made organised excursions on the island.

During their stay in port the tourists will visit all the local beauty spots, while a side trip to Canton has also been arranged. The vessel is due to leave here on Friday, proceeding by way of North China, Japan and the Panama to New York where she is due on May 31.

Among those on board are Her Excellency Mme. June de Lancy of Budapest and Judge Frederick Lawton of Boston. In addition there are a number of prominent business men and several noted travellers.

While the vessel is in port visitors will have an opportunity of inspecting the liner by courtesy of the Captain. Conveniences for passengers include a swimming bath, electric gymnasium, a squash racquets court and an orchestra. The latter is playing at Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow.

**\$9,000 BETS TAX CASE
SETTLED.****NINETY-THREE SUBMONESSES
IN IRISH ACTION.**

After a 16-days' hearing, a case brought by the Free State Revenue Commissioners against Mr. Richard Duggan, the Irish commission agent, for alleged failure to pay duty on certain bets, came to an unexpected end in Dublin. Counsel for Mr. Duggan announced that his client had agreed to pay \$9,000, with \$650 to cover costs, in the district court, and \$187 which was the estimated amount of the duty involved.

If convicted Mr. Duggan would have been liable to a fine of \$500 on each of 93 submones.

Mr. Duggan withdrew any imputations against officials.

**THEATRE CENSOR
NEEDED?****LONDON PLAYS DISCUSSED AT
SINGAPORE.****MUNICIPAL DEBATE.**

An objection was raised against the production of a certain play at the Victoria Theatre at last week's meeting of the Singapore Municipal Commissioners.

Dr. Lim Han Hoe asked whether the Board of Control had any power to ban plays which might be put up by companies in the Victoria Theatre?

The President replied that the Commissioners (not the Board of Control) had full right to prohibit any production, and might grant or refuse, without giving any reason, any application for the use of the Victoria Theatre or Memorial Hall.

Dr. Lim Han Hoe said the opinion had been expressed by theatre-goers that certain productions in the Victoria Theatre were not at all desirable, and that the Board of Control was responsible for allowing these plays to be presented.

Mr. Brown:—Are they people that know?

Dr. Lim Han Hoe:—We have not a censor of plays as we have of films, and it seems to me that something should be done to ban plays which are not suitable for production in a place like Singapore.

The President:—The Commissioners did ban a play on one occasion, and there was an awful row about it.

Mr. Brown added that that was some years ago, and the play was "Mrs. Warren's Profession." It had been played here recently and nobody said anything.

Mr. Laycock:—Might we ask Dr. Lim Han Hoe what play he refers to?

Dr. Lim Han Hoe:—I don't want to advertise it. (Laughter.) The reporters were asked to exclude the name of the play, and Dr. Lim Han Hoe then named a play that has been performed by the Banvard Company during their present season.

Mr. Brown said this play ran for a long time in London and no objection was raised.

Mr. Laycock:—It must have been passed by the Lord Chamberlain.

Mr. Brown:—I feel sure that it would not pay companies that come here to present any play that would offend the audience at large. They might present a play that might offend one or two people, but that is all.

Mr. McLay said he could give an entirely personal opinion. He thought the play was written in a much more serious strain than that in which the audience took it.

The matter was dropped.

The Air Ministry states that very lights should not be fired from lower altitudes than 1,500 feet in view of possible danger to property.

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**FOKI AS ALLEGED
ROBBER.****MASTER FOUND SUFFOCATED
WITH GAG.****A.S.P. OUTLINES CASE.**

The First Street armed robbery case opened before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

In outlining the facts of the case, Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., said the Ho Ping Kee rice-shop at No. 61, First Street, was established about the 30th December last. It occupied the ground floor of a corner building, with an open frontage giving out on to First Street and a side entrance from Centre Street, by the Salingun Market. The proprietor was Ho Ping, who was enabled to start the business through financial assistance extended by his father, a pawnbroker of West Point. Four foks were employed, these being Leung Chi, Kong Sheung, Lee Yee, Lai Chak (a brother-in-law of the proprietor), and Lam Hop. The last-named now appeared in the case, as defendant on charges of armed robbery and conspiracy.

Leung Chi left the employ of the shop, Lee Yee disappeared and Kwong Sheung, after staying in the shop for only 14 days, was dismissed. The only foks remaining in the shop at the time of the crime were Lai Chak and the defendant.

Entrances Barred.

On the night of the robbery, the 14th of March, the proprietor was sleeping on a trestle bed near the counter, the defendant in a cockpit in the rear of the shop, and Lai Chak in a cubicle placed below the cockpit. Both entrances were barred from within, but left unlocked so that any person who wished to get out could do so without disturbing the others.

It was at about 8 o'clock, that, while sleeping in the cubicle, Lai Chak was awakened by the creaking of the ladder leading down from the cockpit, and the voice of the defendant.

A few minutes later Lai Chak was again awakened by hands clutching his throat and saw two individuals standing over him whom he could not identify as they had got in between him and the light. He was bound and a blanket pulled over his head.

Some time later, he managed to free himself and observed that the intruders had left the shop. He lost no time in going out into the street, where he continued his way to the local Police Station and reported the affair.

Master Found Dead.

On the arrival of the police, the master of the shop was observed still lying on his bed. His hands and feet were bound and a saah had been used to strap him to his trestle bed. The man was lifeless, death having resulted from suffocation caused by a gag which had been forced into his mouth.

The defendant disappeared after the night of the robbery and was not seen again until he was arrested two days afterwards on the point of leaving for Macao on a steamer. He was recognised and pointed out by Lai Chak. At the Police Station, he made a certain statement which would be handed in later.

The auditor's investigations into the accounts revealed that the business was in a declining state. It was also disclosed that a sum of \$42 which had been kept in the safe was not there when the police came to look for it. The police found the safe open, the key being left in the lock and nothing of value remaining except for some documents which were strewn all over the floor.

After preliminary evidence had been taken, the hearing was adjourned.

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**WEDNESDAY STILL
IN FORM.**

STRENGTHEN POSITION AT
HEAD OF LEAGUE.

NORTHANTS' SETBACK.

Two surprise results, the defeat of the Arsenal in London, and the failure of Northampton to gain two points against Coventry (after winning at Coventry on Monday) marked yesterday's home football.

The Wednesday consolidated their position at the head of the First Division by drawing with Huddersfield on the Huddersfield ground, coincident with Leicester City's defeat at Villa Park.

The only important change in league positions as the result of yesterday's games is in the Third Division (North) where Bradford City superseded Stockport County in the lead.

The full results, as cabled by Reuter, are as follows:

First Division.

Arsenal	1	Newcastle	2
Aston Villa	4	Leicester	2
Derby	3	Everton	0
Huddersfield	0	Wednesday	0
Leeds U.	2	Sheffield U.	0

Second Division.

Wolves	3	Nottingham	1
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Third Division (South).

Motherwell	2	Exeter	1
Northants	2	Coventry	0

Third Division (North).

Bradford C.	4	Hartlepool	1
Hull	3	Rotherham	1
Doncaster	2	Tranmere	1

FIRST DIVISION TABLE.

Wednesday	37	20	9	8	75	52	49
Huddersfield	37	18	7	13	85	61	48
Leicester	36	18	7	11	82	61	43
Derby	37	18	7	12	77	68	43
Aston Villa	36	10	4	13	84	71	42
Blackburne	36	15	6	12	66	55	39
Leeds	35	16	7	12	68	74	39
Arsenal	35	13	11	11	60	60	38
Everton	35	12	4	15	67	57	38
Newcastle	37	10	6	15	64	63	38
Liverpool	37	10	10	12	72	64	36
Manchester City	37	14	8	15	83	62	36
Huddersfield	34	13	9	12	62	45	35
Birmingham	37	13	9	15	62	68	35
Sheffield U.	37	11	11	15	74	78	33
West Ham	36	13	7	16	76	63	33
Bolton	35	11	11	13	61	72	33
Manch. Un.	37	10	12	15	62	73	32
Burnley	35	12	5	18	68	62	29
Bury	30	11	6	18	50	55	28
Portsmouth	35	12	8	20	48	75	27
Cardiff	39	8	10	20	40	54	26

SECOND DIVISION TABLE.

Grimsby	35	21	5	10	74	63	47
Middlesbrough	37	18	10	9	82	66	46
Nottingham	38	18	8	12	60	55	44
Southampton	37	14	14	9	65	53	42
Stoke	37	15	11	11	64	44	41
Bradford	36	19	8	14	78	62	41
Chelsea	37	16	9	12	59	64	41
Blackpool	37	16	8	15	77	70	38
West Brom.	35	16	8	13	67	67	38
Millwall	35	15	7	13	69	67	37
Freston	37	15	6	10	70	60	36
Tottenham	35	15	6	15	64	72	36
Nottingham	37	11	12	14	60	67	34
Reading	37	13	8	16	67	70	34
Wolves	37	13	7	17	69	70	33
Swansea	37	12	9	16	59	60	33
Hull	35	11	11	13	51	58	33
Bristol C.	37	13	7	17	55	63	33
Barnsley	37	13	6	19	59	60	31
Oldham	37	13	5	19	47	69	31
Port Vale	37	13	8	21	65	70	29
Clapton O.	37	10	8	19	39	62	28

SOUTHERN SECTION TABLE.

Northants	37	19	9	9	87	47	47
Fulham	36	19	7	10	90	60	45
Queen's P.R.	36	17	11	8	71	54	45
Crystal Pal.	34	19	7	8	69	54	45
Luton	36	18	9	9	70	63	45
Charlton	35	19	6	10	74	53	44
Plymouth	35	16	11	9	70	48	41
Watford	34	18	5	11	63	61	41
Bournemouth	35	15	9	12	71	65	39
Coventry	37	14	10	13	67	49	38
Bradford	37	14	9	14	65	53	37
Southend	36	18	10	13	68	63	36
Walsall	36	12	11	13	65	69	35
Swindon	34	11	10	13	60	64	32
Brighton	35	13	6	17	50	64	31
Newport	35	11	7	17	54	71	29
Bristol R.	36	11	6	19	51	71	28
Merthyr	38	10	6	20	48	92	26
Torquay	35	11	8	21	55	75	25
Gillingham	35	9	7	20	38	67	25
Norwich	35	10	4	21	53	68	24
Exeter	35	8	8	10	58	76	24

NORTHERN SECTION TABLE.

Bradford C.	36	22	8	6	115	41	62
Stockport	37	23	8	8	101	50	62
Wrexham	37	19	10	8	81	60	48
Doncaster	37	20	8	9	70	55	48
Lincoln	37	19	6	12	80	60	44
Carlisle	39	13	8	13	62	69	44
Wigan	35	17	7	11	67	42	41
Tranmere	37	10	2	16	66	72	40
South Shields	36	16	7	13	77	64	39
New Brighton	37	15	7	15	60	62	37
Chesterfield	36	16	4	16	66	66	36
Nelson	37	16	4	17	69	76	36
Hull	36	11	12	13	62	51	34
Crewe	36	13	8	15	60	63	34
Southport	36	13	8	15	63	72	34
Rochdale	37	11	9	17	74	87	31
Rotherham	36	11	8	17	49	71	30
Accrington	36	11	6	10	57	72	23
Darlington	37	11	6	20	59	70	23
Barrow	35	9	7	19	54	77	25
Hartlepool	38	9	6	23	54	101	24
Ashington	38	7	7	24	42	102	21

**TENNIS TOURNNEY
SEMI-FINAL.**

GOLDMAN AND MCEACHRAN
DEFEAT THE LO'S.

BRILLIANT DISPLAY.

The Colony's doubles champions, H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn, will regard as a very serious challenge the advance of L. Goldman and J. S. McEachran to the final as the result of a brilliant victory over M. K. and M. W. Lo yesterday afternoon.

The Lo's were in good form, but were outplayed in nearly every department, succumbing in three straight sets, 6-3, 7-5, 6-3. They had no counter to the remarkable variety of shots introduced by Goldman, who was the outstanding player on the court.

All shots seemed to come the same to him, though he was seen at his best at the net, with perfect volleying and brilliant smashes. Some of his "kills" were terrific. McEachran rendered him excellent support, his volleying being also a big feature. McEachran's only weakness seemed to be in service. He always suspected "devil" in his opponent's, perhaps because there was no kick in his own.

The Lo's put up a capital fighting display, some of their returns being brilliant. M. K. Lo defended to a great extent, leaving the attack to his brother, who was inclined to take risks.

Goldman and McEachran began well and led 3-1 in the first set. The Lo's pulled up but the all-important eighth game went to the European pair after deuce had been called five times. The Lo's led 40-15 in this game, which would have made the score 4-4 had they won. Goldman and his partner took the next game for set.

The Lo's won three games in a row after being 3-1 in arrears in the second set, but some brilliant shots by Goldman and steady play by McEachran turned the tables, and the set went to twelve games, Goldman winning.

Goldman and his partner played very confidently in the third set and won comfortably.

The Results.
Semi-final (Open Doubles)—J. McEachran and L. Goldman beat M. K. and M. W. Lo 6-3, 7-5, 6-3.

Handicap Singles—"A"—J. G. Lawrie beat S. E. Green 7-5, 6-3; J. Barrow beat G. W. Sewall 6-7, 6-1.

Handicap Doubles—"O. E. O. Martin and H. Owen Hughes beat C. W. Bishop and W. Woodward 6-3, 6-4. To-day's Matches.
Open Singles—"H. D. Rumjahn v. M. K. Lo.
Handicap Singles—"B."—T. J. Price v. E. R. Price.

Mixed Doubles—"S. E. Green and Miss Heard v. L. Forster and Mrs. Stark; Mr. and Mrs. Smith v. Mr. and Mrs. Woodward; Mr. and Mrs. Piercy v. H. V. Parker and Miss Stanton.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC PLAY
LANE CRAWFORD'S.

The Hongkong Electric Company entertained an eleven selected from the staff of Messrs. Lane Crawford Ltd., at King's Park on Monday and won by seven wickets in a two innings game which was commenced in the morning.

The visitors made first use of the wicket but were dismissed for 62 runs, W. S. Hillier being top scorer with 13. C. E. Gahagan captured five wickets for 18 runs. The hosts, in reply, knocked off 95 runs, W. H. N. Murdoch scoring 28. D. W. Gregory took six wickets for 17 runs.

In the second innings Lane Crawford's staff fared better than in their first attempt adding 121 to their total. B. S. Rogers (27), H. Hampton (23) and R. R. Davies (21) were the chief scorers. Gahagan followed up his first innings performance by taking six wickets for 51 runs.

Left with 91 runs to win, the hosts opened well and knocked off the required runs with seven wickets in hand. Gahagan scored 27 and P. de Bono 20. Gregory took three wickets for 36 runs.

THE HOCKEY CLUB.

TO-DAY'S MATCH WITH THE
H.K.S.R.A.

The following will represent the first eleven of the Hongkong Hockey Club, in their match with the H.K.S.R.A. on the Marina ground at 5.15 p.m. to-day:
W. K. Tait; J. Rodger, L.A.R. Duncan; A. R. Botelho, E. J. R. Mitchell, J. E. Monahan, H. Owen Hughes, H. V. Parker, A. A. Dand (captain), G. E. R. Divett and C. G. Francis.

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"Hit the Deck," (Youmans) Selection,
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"Parted,"
 "O Lovely Night,"
 Soprano, Doris Vane.

"Peggy Ann," Vocal Gems,
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"Peer Gynt Suite No. 2,"
 (Grieg—Op. 55),
 New Queen's Hall Light Orch.

"Mignon," (Thomas) Selection,
 New Queen's Hall Light Orch.

"Oh Knyl," Vocal Gems,
 Columbia Light Opera Company.

"Girl Friend," Selection,
 Piano Solo, Billy Mayerl.

"La Tosca," (Puccini) Selection,
 New Queen's Hall Light Orch.

"The Sun Shall be No More,"
 "I am Alpha and Omega,"
 The Sheffield Choir.

"Tom Jones," (German) Selection,
 Regimental Band of H. M.
 Grenadier Guards.

"Gipsy Dan," (Tharp and Russell),
 "Lennin," (Wright and Bennett),
 Baritone, Raymond Newell.

"The Showman," (Bransby Williams),
 Burlesque Sketch by
 Bransby Williams.

"Aida," (Verdi) Selection,
 New Queen's Hall Light Orch.

"Clowns in Clover," Selection,
 Piccadilly Revels Band.

"Song Hits," Organ Medley,
 Organ Solo, Quentin M. MacLean.

"Liebestraume," (Liszt),
 "Waltz in A flat," (Brahms),
 "Spring Song," (Mendelssohn),
 Pianoforte Solo, William Murdoch.

10.10 p.m. News Bulletin.

"Song Hits—Organ Medley,"
 Organ Solo, Quentin M. MacLean.

"Sonata," (N. Porpora),
 Cello Solo, Antoni Sola.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

DEPARTED YESTERDAY

**PASSENGERS ON THE
 PRES. GRANT.**

Passengers leaving on the Pre-
 sident Grant yesterday included
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 returning home to Europe via the
 United States, on furlough; Mr.
 and Mrs. W. M. Stratton, returning
 to Europe via the United States;
 Mrs. L. McGinn and family, wife
 and family of Mr. G. McGinn,
 passenger agent of the Dollar
 Line in Manila, returning home
 to the U. S.; Mr. M. M. Axelrod,
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 turers Life Assurance Co., going
 to Shanghai; Mr. W. P. Hacker, at-
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 the firm of Andersen Meyer &
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 Hacker; Mr. L. Verbet, connected
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 Orient, Hongkong, on a business
 trip to Shanghai; Mr. R. H.
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 can Tobacco Co., at Shanghai;
 Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Anderson and
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All bearings given are magnetic.
 Chart affected: Marine Depart-
 ment Chart No. 1.

THE KING'S PROGRESS.

TAKES AN EARLY WALK.

London, Apr. 2.

The King passed a good night,
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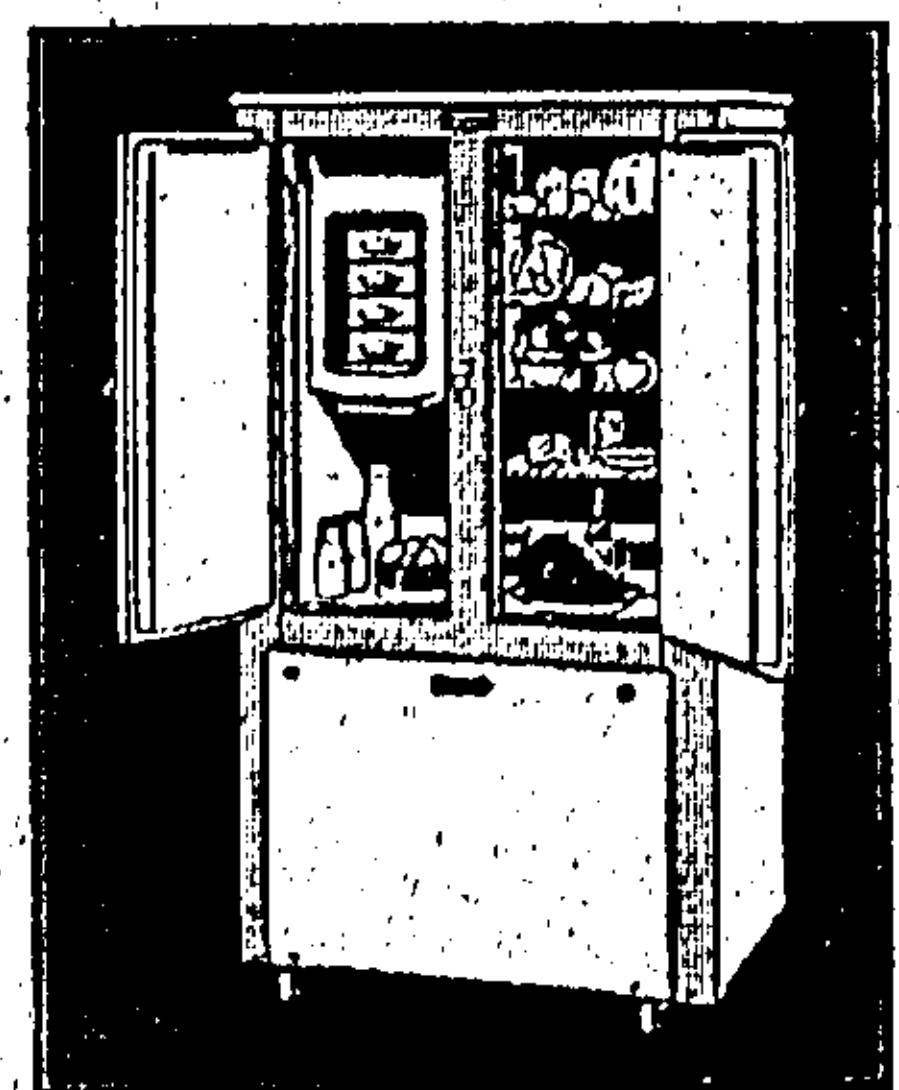
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MUCH ANXIETY OVER THE AUSTRALIAN FLIERS.

Sydney, Apr. 2.

There is much anxiety at the entire absence of news of the crew of the Southern Cross since they were last seen on March 31 that they were making a forced landing.

The Controller of Civil Aviation thinks they landed at Port George, a hundred and thirty miles eastward of Derby, in West Australia.

—*Reuter.*
[The Pacific fliers, Captain Kingsford Smith and Mr. Ulm, were on a flight from Sydney to London. They set out in the Southern Cross, on a non-stop flight from Sydney to Wyndham, West Australia, but made a forced landing near their destination. Captain Kingsford Smith and his colleague are accompanied on their present trip by a navigator and a wireless operator.]

WATER IN TANKS.

COMPLAINTS PROVED TO BE UNFOUNDED.

At yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board the following committee was appointed to consider the estimates of the Department for 1930.—Mr. W. J. Carrie (President), the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. H. A. Fawcett (M.O.H.) and Dr. W. V. M. Koch.

The President said he had been asked to make inquiries with regard to the water in the storage tanks recently erected as it had been suggested that the tanks were giving off a peculiar smell. Samples of water had been taken and he understood that the reports on the quality of the water were excellent.

FAMINE RELIEF.

AN EXTRA SURTAX TO BE INSTITUTED.

Shanghai, Apr. 2.

A Japanese report from Nanking says the Government has decided to levy, on April 10, a two and a half per cent. surtax on commodities passing through the Chinese Customs, over the present duties, for the defrayment of Government expenditure in relieving famine sufferers in Shanai and Kansu.—*Reuter.*

GREYHOUND RACING.

LICENSED OFFICIALS MUST NOT BET.

London, Mar. 27.

The Greyhound Racing Club has passed new rules that no licensed official may bet on any race at a meeting for which he is licensed; no betting may take place on trials; all greyhounds must run in safety, non-biting muzzles approved by the Club.

The proposal to institute a separate stud book has been accepted but definite action has been deferred.

A COLDER SPELL.

ENGLAND HAS CHANGE OF WEATHER.

London, Apr. 2.

The summer-like spring changed suddenly yesterday, when April showers ended the prolonged drought which had made March the warmest since 1841.

Cold northerly winds lowered the temperature by eighteen degrees, and colder weather is forecast.—*Reuter.*

JOCKEY'S LICENCE.

FORGETFULNESS LEADS TO WITHDRAWAL OF RUNNER.

London, Mar. 27.

Balding, the jockey, forgot to apply for his licence at Nottingham and Royal Bloom, which he was riding, was consequently withdrawn.

This is the first withdrawal of a runner since the new Jockey Club rule.

STANDARD BOWLS.

ENGLISH BOWLING ASSOCIATION'S DECISION.

London, Mar. 27.

The English Bowling Association has decided that the only bowls to be used in the international matches in July must bear the new International Board Stamp. The present rose and thistle bowls are eligible for other competitions till the end of the year.

THE CHEFOO AREA.

BANKS RESIST DEMAND FOR \$1,000,000.

Chefoo, Apr. 2.

It is reliably reported that the "Red Spears" have hoisted the National flag at Hwangshien.

The Muping front is apparently quiet, but refugees from Muping are arriving in large numbers.

Chu Yu-pu is reported to have been killed during the recent attack on Muping, but this is not confirmed.

The Bank of Communications and Bank of China are still closed, owing to Chang Chung-chang demanding a million dollars, claiming that this amount was left on deposit when he evacuated Tsinan-fu.—*Reuter.*

STORM DISASTER.

MANY KILLED IN THE UNITED STATES.

New York, Apr. 2.

Eleven deaths and millions of dollars of damage were left in the trail of heavy storms which swept a number of eastern and south-western states.

Wisconsin also experienced snow and sleet.—*Reuter's American Service.*

AUSTRALIAN VISIT.

PROMINENT CRICKETERS TO TOUR MALAYA.

Ipoh, Mar. 27.

Ipoh has received the suggestion of the proposed visit of a team of prominent Australian cricketers to Malaya and is now considering the guarantee of its quota towards the expenses which would be about \$3,000 each for Singapore, Penang, Selangor and Perak.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.
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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1929.

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Messrs. Anderson and Ashe on the

6th April, 1929, at 10 a.m.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-

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Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence

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the goods have left the Godown, and

all goods remaining undelivered after

5th April, 1929, will be subject to

rent.

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A similar table on the mercantile side is prefaced by the note that it cannot be taken as a statement of comparative signal efficiency, as between different companies, as opportunities for signalling with H.M. ships are so varied. The China Navigation Company was first with 128, the British India Company second with 88, the Elderline Lines third with 94 and two failures, British Tankers fourth with 80, and the P. and O. Company fifth with 85. Among results deserving of special mention are those between the cruiser Effingham and the steamer Architect. On one occasion these vessels exercised with lamp signals for one hour, and both sending and receiving were very efficient; altogether they exercised on 13 different occasions, and each time the cruiser reported that the signalling was very smart.

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THE CHINA FIGHTING.

REPORTED CAPTURE OF HWANGCHOW.

Hankow, Apr. 2.

It is believed that the battle near Wusueh is going steadily against the Wuhan armies, and all indications point to the fact that they are gradually decreasing their defence lines and are withdrawing steadily towards Hankow. Government forces, carrying out the instructions of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, are reported to be advancing rapidly above Wusueh. The local situation is quiet.

Feng's Troops Advancing.

Shanghai, Apr. 2.

The Ta Chung news agency has received a report from Nanking that two divisions of Feng Yuhsiang's troops have arrived at Sinyangchow, and are advancing toward Hankow. A message from Nanking says that in anticipation of the occupation of Kiangsi, Hunan and Hupeh, Chu Pei-teh has been appointed Governor of Hupeh, Liu Shih Governor of Kiangsi and Fong Ting-yung Governor of Hunan.—*Reuter.*

Capture of Hwangchow.

Shanghai, Apr. 2.

Headquarters at Kiukiang report that the Government forces captured Hwangchow yesterday, and are rapidly advancing towards Yanlo and Hwangpo, taking prisoner many of the Wuhan troops.

Admiral Chen Chao-kwan reports that the gunboats Tsu Yu, Tsu Tung and Kiang Ching commenced to bombard the enemy positions at Yanglo yesterday morning, and the squadron will proceed towards Hankow tomorrow to cut off the Wuhan retreat across the Yangtze. Two divisions of Feng Yuhsiang's forces from Sinyangchow are marching on Sinyangchi.—*Reuter.*

Canton Leader's Policy.

Canton, Apr. 2.

General Chan Chai-tong assumed the office of Special Officer of Canton Troop Disbandment and Re-Organisation on the morning of March 30, when the majority of both civil and military officers of the Canton Government were present to congratulate him on his new appointment.

Immediately after the inauguration, a speech was made by General Chan in which he explained the present situation and stated that Canton had the idea of despatching an expeditionary force against Nanking, but after careful consideration it was thought inadvisable to do so. The General went on to say that the reason why the Canton Government declined to be implicated in the present Nanking-Wuhan turmoil was merely to meet the wishes of the Canton people, as they all hoped for peace. In conclusion, General Chan said that he would do anything in his power to see to tranquillity in Canton, and asked all those present to co-operate with him in carrying out the duties of government.

Later, when interviewed by pressmen, General Chan stated that although Marshal Li Chai-sum has been detained, there was nothing to fear as regards the Marshal's safety. General Chan also stated that the Military Headquarters would be abolished on April 1, and henceforth the Troop Disbandment

"THE DOVER ROAD."

SOME NOTES ON THE A.D.C. PLAYERS.

In connexion with the A.D.C.'s production of "The Dover Road," which will take place on Saturday next, a few notes regarding the cast are available.

A. N. Lucey, who is playing the long and difficult part of "Mr. Latimer," is an old favourite and needs no introduction to Hongkong audiences. His work as "Prospero" in "The Tempest" and "The Dauphin" in "St. Joan" will be recollected. He is an experienced actor, and the part could not be in better hands. Fay Grossman, whose accomplished acting in "I'll leave it to you" and "The last of Mrs. Chayne" will be remembered by local play-goers, is doing the part of "Eustasia," a lady who spends her life "cossetting" people and her success in the part is assured. Marjorie Taylor, a new comer to the Colony, is playing the charming and attractive part of "Anne." J. H. Ratton has not acted in Hongkong previously, but played several parts in Shanghai, where he appeared in "Milestones" and "A little bit of Fluff." He has the amusing part of "Leonard." A. C. Braine, who has only recently arrived in the Colony, was a member of the Oxford University Dramatic Society. To him has been assigned the part of "Nicholas." The play is being produced by L. Stewart-Goss, who is also playing the part of "Domestic," the very eccentric butler. This is his first appearance in Hongkong, but he has had considerable experience of amateur work in other parts of the world. The A.D.C. have been fortunate in securing this new member as he has already produced and played in "The Dover Road" three times before.

As usual with A.D.C. productions no trouble or expense is being spared in the dressing and mounting of the play, and it now only remains for the public to show their appreciation by turning up in their hundreds to support their efforts on behalf of the British Miners' Fund, to which 50% of the profits will be handed over. They are assured not only of a thoroughly enjoyable evening but also of the satisfaction of having done their bit in support of a very good cause.

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and Re-Organisation Bureau would be established. As regards the disbandment and re-organisation scheme, the General said he was waiting for instructions from Nanking.

General Chan further said that General Hsu Kiang-long, Commander of the 5th Army Corps, was in agreement with him regarding the present course adopted by the Canton Government. When asked about General Tang Sai-chang, General Chan said he personally allowed General Tang to resign from all his public posts, and that he had already left for Hongkong. General Chan's troops have been ordered to Shukwan, and it is understood that half of them will be called back to Canton for protection.

In answer to a query General Chan stated that the re-appointment of Commissioners to the various departments was to be fixed by the Nanking Government, and that his duties were to look after the disbandment and re-organisation of troops only, and he had nothing to do with the civil administration of the Government.—*A Correspondent.*

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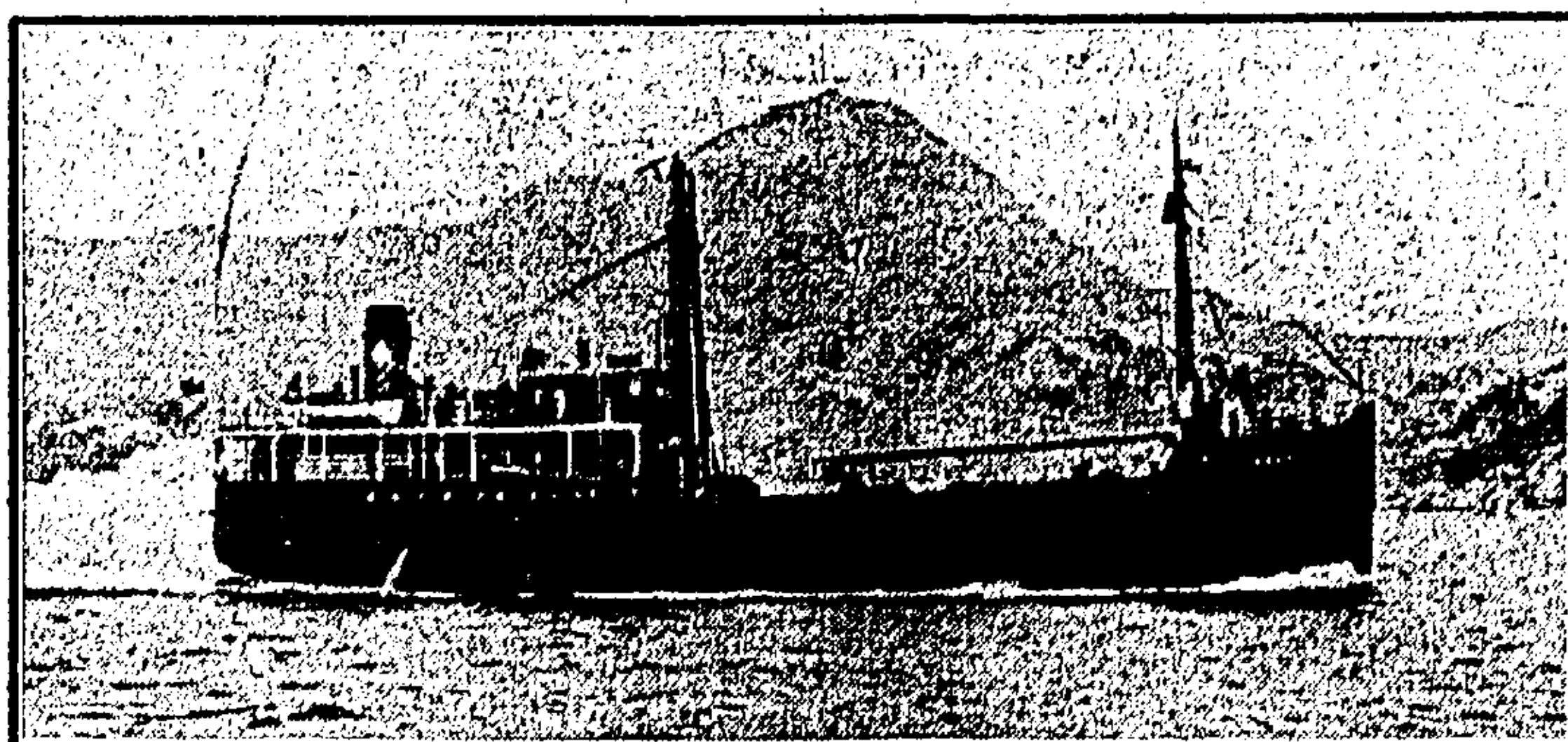
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GEN. GOURAUD BACK FROM INDIA.

GLOWING TRIBUTE PAID TO BRITISH WORK.

Paris, Mar. 8.
A glowing tribute to the British administration in India was paid by General Gouraud, Military Governor of Paris, on his arrival at Marseilles yesterday evening after a prolonged tour of India.

"The work of the British in India," he said, "is an admirable effort of continuity and method. Gigantic undertakings are in process of construction, such as

dams across rivers, notably the Indus, which will make possible the irrigation of hitherto uncultivated land.

"There are schools everywhere. Admirable work has been carried out from the point of view of hygiene—dispensaries, hospitals, and travelling medical service in case of plague."

General Gouraud, who was glad to meet many British officers he had known in Gallipoli, concluded with a word of thanks to his hosts. "It is impossible," he said, "to be better received than I was by the civil and military authorities and by the Indian Princes."

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SHANGHAI COURT DISPUTE.

SERIOUS MATTER FOR COMMUNITY.

MAY AFFECT PEACE & ORDER OF SETTLEMENT.

JUDGES CRITICISED.

Shanghai, Mar. 28.
In an interview with a representative of the *Shanghai Times* yesterday, Mr. Stirling Fessenden, speaking unofficially, declared that the Provisional Court dispute is becoming a serious matter for the entire community.

The Council, he stated, would naturally view the situation with a great deal of concern as the Provisional Court is an institution of great importance in Shanghai.

The judicial body of the court, Mr. Fessenden stated, should try to settle the matter in a diplomatic way instead of "indulging in anything so unbecoming and contrary to all recognized idea of judicial administration such as striking like ordinary labourers."

Chinese Protests.

In connexion with the affair, it was learned yesterday that the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and representatives of the Chinese Ratepayers' on the Council are preparing protests to be sent the Senior Consul, Mr. Daw Son-ching, the foreign secretary of the Chamber, confirmed the report, so far as the Chamber was concerned, when a representative of the *Shanghai Times* called on him in the afternoon. Mr. Daw was averse to giving any further information to the Press, remarking that the letter had already been written but not yet dispatched.

Another development in the affair took place yesterday afternoon in the Provisional Court when the President of the Court, Dr. Ho, in a pronouncement over Deputy F. Ramondino's protest, bitterly criticised the Deputy's views.

Statement Of Mr. Fessenden.

The statement made by Mr. Fessenden yesterday reads as follows: "This affair is holding up a large part of the administration of the trial of police cases of crimes and offences committed inside the Settlement. It means that a lot of persons are being continually remanded instead of being tried. If this sort of thing goes on here indefinitely, it will have a most unfortunate effect on the peace and good order of the Settlement."

"The Council is responsible for the peace and good order of the Settlement, especially in these times when there is much crime going on in Shanghai and to close down a portion of the Provisional Court or slow up prosecutions would be very serious for the whole community, foreign and Chinese."

Great Concern Is Felt.

"The Council naturally views a situation like this with a great deal of concern and feel that something must be done to get it disentangled and this dispute of the Provisional Court cleared up."

"It is unreasonable for the Chinese judges to try to put the peace and order of the Settlement in jeopardy in this way just to straighten out a diplomatic dispute. They ought to do these things in a diplomatic way instead of indulging in anything so unbecoming and contrary to all recognized idea of judicial administration such as striking like ordinary labourers and holding up the administration of justice in a big city like Shanghai. It is ridiculous to try to settle it in this way instead of trying to find other methods of dealing with the case."

"The Council feels that it must insist that these cases be heard before Mr. Van den Berg alone if the Chinese judges carry on the boycott against him."

"What the Council is interested in is the maintenance of peace and order in the Settlement and any dispute like this is a serious matter for the whole community."

Rendition Plans.

In accordance with Article 7 of the Tentative Regulations governing the rendition of the Shanghai Mixed Court, Dr. Ho Shih-tseng, President of the Shanghai Provisional Court, has appointed Mr. Wu Shou-kung, former Judge of the Provisional Court and Mr. Woo Ching-hsiung, present Judge of the Provisional Court and Dean of the Law College of the Soochow University in Shanghai, for the revision of the regulations governing the rendition of the Shanghai Mixed Court with a view to notifying the Consular Body six months ahead of the date of the termination of the Shanghai Provisional Court when judicial rights of the

THE AFGHANISTAN TURMOIL.

PEACE EFFORTS BY EX-WAR MINISTER.

KING TO BE ELECTED?

New Delhi, Apr. 2.

Strenuous efforts are being made in Afghanistan to avert a civil war, according to messages from Chaman, which suggest the likelihood that these efforts will meet with success.

It is also pointed out that the ex-King Amanullah's forces do not exceed 10,000 men, and their value is of a most uncertain quality. The same might be said with equal truth of the followers of the "usurper" Habibullah, or Bacha Saka.

Actual fighting, says the Chaman message, may be averted if success crowns the efforts of Nadir Khan and his brother to effect a pacific settlement. These two, with a force of tribal Lashkars, are endeavouring to reach Kabul in good time.

Nadir Khan has convened a "constituent Assembly" to decide which candidate to the Throne is most deserving of election and most generally acceptable to the country.

It will be recalled that Nadir Khan in a recent message to Habibullah invited the latter to submit himself to the country's choice, adding that he did not consider Bacha Saka had the necessary kingly qualifications.—*Reuter.*

SIR AUSTEN TALKS WITH MUSSOLINI.

BOTH SPENDING HOLIDAY IN NORTH OF ITALY.

CORDIAL RELATIONS.

Florence, Apr. 2.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, who is spending the Easter vacation in Italy, to-day met Signor Mussolini, the Italian Dictator, who called at the villa on the outskirts of Florence, where the British Foreign Secretary is now residing.

Afterwards a semi-official communiqué was issued regarding the purpose of the meeting.

It says that in the course of a long discussion, which was characterised by the cordial personal friendship uniting the two statesmen, Sir Austen Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini reaffirmed the warmth of Anglo-Italian friendship and placed on record the harmony of the views of both Governments in relation to important political questions, which have interest to both countries.

Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain were afterwards Signor Mussolini's guests at a private luncheon at the Castle of Montebello.

The British Foreign Secretary has been visiting his daughter who is at School in Florence, while Signor Mussolini has also been spending his Easter holiday in the north of Italy.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

NEW CAPITAL ISSUES.

RECORD IN THE U.K. LAST YEAR.

London, Apr. 2.

In the twelve months ended March 31st, new capital issues made in the United Kingdom constituted a record and exceeded £373,000,000.

In the previous twelve months the figures, according to statistics compiled by the Midland Bank, totalled £335,000,000.—*British Wireless.*

EAST WINDS.

To-day's Observatory report states that the anticyclone is central over N. Japan, the depression near the Bonins yesterday is not indicated this morning. Moderate monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—E. winds, moderate; cloudy.

International Settlement may be taken over by the Chinese Government.

Their work will be to study and report on the past history of the Court, facts and experiences with Consular representatives at the Court and reason for the complete rendition of the Court by foreigners to make it a purely Chinese Court.

[A telegram to hand to-day states that the Judges' strike has now ended.—*Ed. H.K.T.*]

HONGKONG BANK CLAIM.

IMPORTANT DECISION IN LONDON.

ARBITRATION BEFORE ANGLO-GERMAN TRIBUNAL.

SHANGHAI GUARANTEE

An important decision was given in London on March 12th by the Anglo-German Mixed Arbitral Tribunal (Division A) on a claim brought by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in connexion with the guaranteeing of a Shanghai German firm's liabilities the year before the Great War broke out.

The Tribunal consisted of Dr. Helge Kinstad (President), Mr. Heber Hart, K.C. (British member), and Dr. A. N. Zacharias (German member), and it delivered an interim decision on the claim brought by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation against H. Vogelsang and Co., for Hongkong \$19,784.35, under a guarantee dated October 3, 1913, whereby the German defendants guaranteed all liabilities of the firm of Otto Wiesinger, of Shanghai, up to Mexican \$20,000; and for Hongkong \$12,065.61, plus interest, in respect of four bills of exchange drawn by the defendants on Wiesinger and discounted by the claimants before the War.

Dissolved by Treaty.

The Tribunal, in their decision, said it was common ground that the contract of guarantee was dissolved by Article 299 (a) of the Treaty of Versailles as from August 4, 1914. In accordance with their decision in *Dresdner Bank v. August Rics* (Recueil VI, p. 621), sums advanced by the claimants to Wiesinger after that date could not be regarded as "pecuniary obligations" arising out of the dissolved guarantee.

The only "pecuniary obligation" excepted from the dissolution of the contract of guarantee was the amount owing by Wiesinger to the claimants on the date of the dissolution, and the defendants were under the guarantee liable to pay this amount except to the extent, if any, to which it had not later been paid off by Wiesinger, or otherwise extinguished. From Otto Wiesinger's account with the claimants, it appeared that the amount outstanding on August 4, 1914, was Hongkong \$19,373.88.

It further appeared that from that date up to December 31, 1918, when the account was closed, the claimants credited Wiesinger with sums amounting in all to Hongkong \$16,893.28.

Defendants' Liability.

Notwithstanding the fact that other sums were withdrawn by Wiesinger during this period, the Tribunal was of opinion that it was only the difference between this amount of \$19,373.88 and the sum of the payments in—namely, \$2,665.62—which constituted the "pecuniary obligation" outstanding for which the defendants were now liable under the guarantee. It was contended on behalf of the defendants that the principal debt owing by Wiesinger to the claimants was barred by prescription, and that the claimants, therefore, were equally barred from recovering anything from the defendants, but this contention had not been substantiated.

Particulars Required.

As to the second part of the claim for the sum of Hongkong \$12,065.61, together with 5 per cent. interest thereon from June 16, 1913, in respect of four bills of exchange drawn by the defendants on Wiesinger and discounted before the outbreak of war by the claimants, the Tribunal gave directions to the claimants to produce particulars of (1) ships on which the goods in question were carried; (2) what happened to the goods; and (3) whether the claimants had asserted any claim arising out of the insurance policies.

Judgment on the first part of the claim was entered accordingly, for the claimants for Hongkong \$2,665.62, together with interest at 5 per cent. from August 4, 1914, until crediting.

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Ottawa, Apr. 2.

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